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Baker beats contempt rap

By Bill King

BERRYVILLE – After hearing four hours of testimony Friday, Circuit Court Judge Alan Epley found that "while I do have Ms. Baker acting negligently," there was "no criminal intent" involved in her bringing an explosive device into court as evidence during a Sept. 29 trial.

With a lack of intent, Epley dismissed the contempt of court charge he had brought against Baker. The judge had charged that Baker was in contempt of court when her actions caused "a disturbance directly tending to interrupt the court's proceedings."

Epley laid the foundation for his case against Baker in a pre-trial order filed Oct. 7.

The incident occurred halfway through the third day of testimony in the state's case against Green Forest resident Mike Koster. Koster was being tried on charges of criminal use of a prohibited weapon; possession of a controlled substance; possession of drug paraphernalia; endangering the welfare of a child; possession of a defaced weapon; simultaneous possession of drugs and firearms; terroristic threatening; and second degree assault on a family or household member.

The prohibited weapon was, according to conflicting testimony, either a pipe bomb or a commercially-available firework. Baker testified in the contempt hearing the device she brought into court was from the same "Thundering King" fireworks box as the alleged pipe bomb found in Koster's auto body shop.

Drew Deason, an officer with the Springdale Police bomb squad, testified at Koster's trial the device found in Koster's shop had been altered and was, therefore, an improvised explosive device (IED). It was reportedly wrapped in black tape. When the bomb squad shot a clay pellet at the device to disarm it, it detonated with the force of a stick of dynamite,

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Boo! Sue Goldberg and her 4-month-old pal, Dojo, sprang out from among the hanging clothes to scare patrons attending the Eureka Kids haunted maze in the basement of the City Auditorium. Members of the afterschool program created everything in the "Underground Eurfreaka" set, including a giant hungry spider and a ghoulish kitchen serving human entrails. The haunt ran Friday, Sunday and Monday with the $5 admission going to benefit Eureka Kids. See more ghoulish Halloween pics in Scene Around Town and on page 27.

(Photo by John Rankine)

• CITIZEN of the WEEK •

Crystal Harvey of Hot Springs is visiting Eureka Springs this week and several locals wanted her to be COW while she's here.

Got fluoride in your drinking water? No, you don't, thanks to Crystal's tireless work to defeat a bill which would have mandated fluoridation of public water supplies in Arkansas.

Crystal became an activist after studying the issue while her city was debating fluoridation. Shocked by what she learned, she set out to educate others. The people, like those of Eureka Springs, voted no, but some state legislators tried to make fluoridation mandatory anyway. Without Crystal's hard work, the bill would no doubt have passed.

Crystal remains vigilant, watching for the next fluoridation bill to come along and educating the public about the hazards of fluoridation.

If you spot Crystal this weekend, give her a warm welcome and thank her for working so hard to keep our water pure.

911 dispatch vote Tuesday

By Bill King

EUREKA SPRINGS – While no general election is on the calendar this November, the polls will be open Tuesday for city voters to decide the future of 911 dispatch in the city. In the sole issue on the ballot, voters will decide whether to divert a 5 percent tax on telephone bills designated to fund emergency dispatch centers from the county central dispatch to the city dispatch located at the Eureka Springs police station.

With only one item on the ballot, it is likely a small percentage of the electorate will make the decision. A single polling station at the Victoria Inn will be open from 7:30 a.m. to 7:30 p.m.

At the urging of Fire Chief David Stoppel and Mayor Kathy Harrison, City Council voted to call a special election on the issue. The election is in response to the Carroll County Quorum Court pulling funding it has traditionally provided for Eureka Springs to operate a 911 dispatch to handle calls in the western district of the county.

With the new central dispatch coming on line earlier this year, county officials decided to have one 911 center for the entire county and withhold payments for a trunk line, equipment leasing and other costs related to the Eureka Springs dispatch. According to county numbers, the county has been paying around

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Monday, Oct. 24

8:20 a.m. – Sheriff's personnel reported a vehicle and a deer collided on US62E.

11:31 a.m. – A US62E motel room was damaged by a departed guest whose credit card was used to enforce the Pottery Barn dictum.

7:49 p.m. – A subject was arrested at a US62E motel restaurant after a "waitress was pushed over tip money."

Tuesday, Oct. 25

12:27 a.m. – A false alarm was reported at a US62 bank.

2:23 a.m. – Responding to a complaint about dogs barking on Singleton St., an officer impounded a German shepherd.

7:45 a.m. – Dogs running loose on Dickey St. "took off when officer arrived."

1:05 p.m. – A US62E motel room was reported damaged.

4:45 p.m. – An employee of a Center St. restaurant reported articles stolen from a purse while at work.

6:22 p.m. – A caller from the high school reported medication stolen from her purse while she was teaching a class.

Wednesday, Oct. 26

10:45 a.m. – A person downtown may have been "impaired," as a caller on middle Spring St. alleged, but had no trouble disappearing before an officer arrived.

2:34 p.m. – Following a call from a lower Spring St. merchant about an "impaired subject," an officer confronted the person who was deemed "OK," but a few minutes later the subject was reported harassing people further down the street.

3:07 p.m. – One of two vehicles involved in an accident on US62E did not overturn.

9:10 p.m. – A disturbance on Washington St. resulted in the arrest of two men who were transported to the county jail.

9:27 p.m. – A state trooper asked officers to assist in the arrest of a Singleton St. resident at the hospital.

Thursday, Oct. 27

10:22 a.m. – A suspicious subject loitering in the train station parking lot made tracks before the law arrived.

11:30 a.m. – ID theft was reported at a US62E motel.

1:42 p.m. – An officer was asked to check on the welfare of a Pivot Rock Rd. apartment dweller who wasn't answering his phone or his doorbell.

5:57 p.m. – Following a complaint about suspicious persons using drugs behind a Passion Play Rd. car wash, an officer surveyed the area but could see no signs of drugs.

5:59 p.m. – An officer was unable to substantiate a complaint about noise reportedly issuing from a N. Main St. cafe.

6:49 p.m. – Responding to a report of shoplifting at a Passion Play Rd. gas station, an officer encountered subjects he had surveilled earlier behind the car wash and advised them to return the merchandise and go away.

10:14 p.m. – Responding to a neighbor's complaint about loud music, a Pine St. resident was checked for outstanding warrants and advised to turn down the volume.

Friday, Oct. 28

6:44 a.m. – What was reported as a possible gun shot turned out to be a heavy object dropped in a Dove Ln. apartment.

8:59 a.m. – A married couple on Spring St. created a disturbance before separating.

10:40 a.m. – A Realtor complained about two children selling candles from a wagon while going door-to-door on Avo St.

1 p.m. – A minor two-vehicle accident occurred near a S. Main St. pub.

1:41 p.m. – A vehicle backed into a post supporting a balcony at the intersection of Mountain and Spring Sts.

2:18 p.m. – An abandoned 911 call from a US62E bank was investigated by an officer and the chief.

6:03 p.m. – A hit-and-run accident occurred in the parking lot of a S. Main St. pub.

Saturday, Oct. 29

2:20 a.m. – A handbag was reported stolen at a S. Main St. nightclub.

4:40 p.m. – An open door was secured at the Harmon Park community building.

5:14 p.m. – A motorist on Armstrong St. was arrested for driving on a suspended license after the vehicle's expired license plate caught an officer's eye.

5:18 p.m. – An officer found nothing to report about a woman who ignored a sign outside a N. Main St. shop, hopped on a swing, got blood on it and was asked to pay for it.

8:14 p.m. – A US62E motel operator reported seeing a woman on the balcony of a defunct motel where no one should be.

9:33 p.m. – An officer declared a tiff over botched reservations at a Hillside Ave. inn a "civil matter."

Sunday, Oct. 30

1:35 a.m. – The animal control officer was informed Elk and Mountain Sts. were going to the dogs.

8 a.m. – A cell phone was reported stolen on Ridgeway St.

9:55 a.m. – An inn on Hillside Ave. was reportedly damaged.

2 p.m. – Burglary was suspected after a Steele St. house was entered.

3:18 p.m. – A subject on the historic loop reported being assaulted the night before.

7:38 p.m. – An officer was summoned when a subject who was slightly injured in a fall on Hayes St. refused medical care.

8:08 p.m. – A Singleton St. resident was warned he would be cited if his dogs kept on barking.

10:01 p.m. – A wanted person was arrested on Singleton St.

11:28 p.m. – An officer secured the Auditorium after finding a door and a window open.

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GSHS hires help

By Bill King

EUREKA SPRINGS – Continuing to assert control as the one and only board of directors of the Good Shepherd Humane Society (GSHS), the board Friday turned to two of its own to manage the GSHS animal shelter.

Mary McFadden and Rachel Fink tendered their resignations from the board to accept the positions of shelter manager and assistant manager, respectively. The positions are tentative, pending a court decision as to whether this new board, which was unanimously elected at a special membership meeting Oct. 4, or the old board, which the membership dissolved at the same meeting, has legitimate rights to control the society's assets.

The new board also retained three contract workers of the old board, but is bringing them on as employees. Mary Rein, shelter manager for the old board, has been fired by the new board, but she continues to go to work each day. The board has said it would pay her only through Oct. 15.

While the bank has frozen the GSHS checking account pending the court ruling, it is again allowing checks approved by representatives of both boards to go through, according to new board president John Reeve.

The new board has been accepting donations and membership dues at a new post office box as the old box has also been frozen. A temporary bank account is being used to cover some expenses. Reeve said about $10,000 is needed "to get our heads above water." Treasurer Doug Brashears said the new account has around $1,200 in it, but that he is "clueless" about the financial status of the society since he has not had access to invoices and records.

The society's two thrift stores have reopened under the direction of board member Dixie MaGirl, who is managing the shops as an unpaid volunteer. Reeve reported the decision to close the thrift store in Eagle Rock, Mo., was reversed by a phone poll of board members after volunteers at that store said they beleived it brought in more money than has been reported. Volunteers have shown a lot of enthusiasm for reopening, McGirl said.

The store in Eureka Springs reopened after a major clean out and a big yard sale which netted the society more than $2,000. "To say it was in disarray is an understatement," MaGirl said of the shop. She plans to revise pricing, improve signage and solicit the help of more volunteers. The store will be closed in late November for cleaning and repairs.

MaGirl said volunteers have cleaned up the "mountain of trash behind the store." She said it is too late to organize the annual Doggie Style Show fundraiser this fall, but she hopes to have it in the spring.

Board member Kent Crow, an attorney, reported that Judge Alan Epley has said he does not plan to recuse from hearing the case, at least until someone asks him to. Crow had previously speculated Epley might recuse because he has been a GSHS member and has also done legal work for the society in the past. "At this point he's willing to hear it, but he would make a full disclosure," Crow said.

Crow said he suggested to Bank of Eureka Springs attorneys that they need to serve papers on the bank's legal actions to the old board.

Ken Bates, the board member charged with overseeing shelter operations, reported there are a lot of physical problems with the facility. When questions arose about the status of employees, the board decided those issues should be discussed in executive session.

"Are we going to discuss how to get Mary [Rein] out of there?" board secretary Sarah Moore asked. "She's not just going to leave."

Fundraising ideas were tossed about, but left to be discussed by the fundraising committee. Bates pledged to match any donations to GSHS through the end of the year, up to $5,000.

Reeve said he's exploring the possibility of a voluntary tax to help support the shelter.

Responding to suggestions that donors receive acknowledgement of their gifts, board member Cheryl Jones volunteered to serve as corresponding secretary.

Charles Fredrick, a former board treasurer, volunteered to work with Brashears in developing a 2006 budget.

Moore volunteered to retrieve archive records from the shelter to shed light on previous recordkeeping.

The big issue

Reeve proposed, and the board approved, a resolution suspending a section of the GSHS bylaws that calls for euthanizing animals not adopted after six months in the shelter. He said he wants a new way to frame the kill versus no-kill shelter debate.

"No kill doesn't mean never kill," he said. "Shelter management has always had the discretion to euthanize animals so sick or injured that it costs more that we can afford to fix them. No one I've talked to disputes that's okay. I've heard no one say an animal should be kept an indefinite time in a shelter. That's inhumane. Should the board set an arbitrary time frame, or should the shelter staff have discretion to decide how long to retain an animal?"

"Can we ignore the issue for a little while?" member DJ Holt asked.

"It is possible this could overwhelm everything you're trying to do now," said member Dick Titus.

Board members decided it best to research arguments on both sides of the issue, to educate themselves over the next few months and be prepared to discuss and decide the issue with the membership at the May membership meeting. Until then, animals will not be euthanized because of their length of stay at the shelter.

CAPC hears report from Folk folks

By Dale McCurry

EUREKA SPRINGS – Jenny Wagget and Charlotte Buchanan provided the City Advertising and Promotion Commission (CAPC) a detailed report of what it took to produce this year's Folk Festival and presented invoices for additional services provided that fell outside the scope of their original contract.

The contract called for Wagget and Buchanan to be compensated 10 percent of the first $50,000 of ticket sales and 40 percent of receipts above $50,000. The Auditorium gate came in at $35,168.

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In addition to the $3,517 due from ticket sales, Wagget presented an invoice for $1,200-plus for services budgeted for the festival, though not designated to her company nor specified in the duties to be performed to earn the 10-percent-of-ticket-sales compensation.

The hourly rate charged was $25, as opposed to the $60 charged to CAPC by the commission's Little Rock ad agency, Stone Ward, according to Wagget.

Wagget asked Commissioner Rick Rojek to read three sections aloud from the July contract hiring the duo to produce the festival:

- jWagget INK promotions and glamOrama productions shall be responsible for booking artists at the Auditorium October 7, 8 and 9, 2005;
- jWagget INK promotions and glamOrama productions shall be responsible for organization of the Songwriters' Contest; and
- Publicity for this event shall be managed by the principal agents and a budget for that sole purpose shall be provided by the CAPC at an amount separate, i.e., over and above the amount allotted for artist fees.

"Jenny and I stretched a dollar a million ways," Buchanan said. "We pretty much designed the campaign."

"Actually, we did all the press releases," Wagget said. "We worked 12/7 for three months. We did the creatives on the posters, the post cards, all of the ads that went in the newspapers. We helped Stone Ward fix their sushi ads. I feel like we did art direction on that. We also did script writing for the TV and radio spots.

"I once stood here and said my intention was to come celebrate with you after this was all over and leave some seed money behind," Wagget said. "While that didn't happen, I do believe I can celebrate what we did that weekend."

Jenny passes the torch

"I was hoping Sally Thackery would be in the room," Wagget said at the beginning of her presentation. "I wanted to thank her and congratulate her for her festivals contract. I know she's won her stars and bars in the past. And I know she shares with me the intent to keep the Auditorium and the festivals going.

"Thank you, Sally."

Thackery recently was awarded a CAPC contract to produce five festivals in 2006, including the Folk Festival.

Museum funding

City Clerk Mary Jean Sell addressed the commissioners "as a private citizen," and asked them to reconsider their plans to drop a $500 monthly stipend for the Eureka Springs Historical Museum.

"I realize your budget this year is tight," Sell said. "To say $6,000 out of $1 million is but a drop in the CAPC bucket may be a simplification of the situation, but I don't think the expenditure of any other $6,000 is more needed or appreciated than this."

Sell said the museum is the only facility in the downtown area with "Information Center" [the sign actually reads: Visitor Center] as part of its signage – a point that initially paved the way for CAPC funding. She also described the museum as included in the "outlined arts and cultural district being developed within our community to take advantage of, and to boost, creative economy."

Saying it "would be a crime" to not have the museum open in a town whose primary income is as a historic tourist destination, Sell challenged the commission to consider that the museum is "as important on a daily basis as is 30 minutes of fireworks on the Fourth of July."

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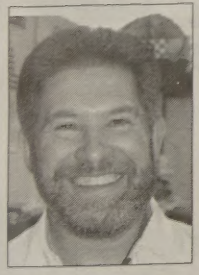

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John Michael Talbot receives Mother Theresa Award

By Patricia Pemberton

Local Christian recording artist and Little Portion Hermitage founder John Michael Talbot was presented with the prestigious Mother Theresa Award Oct. 23 in recognition of his lifetime of Christian and humanitarian work. Talbot has recorded 45 albums and published 16 books over the span of his career, and is best known for the ambient, meditational style of his music.

The award, conferred annually upon 33 individuals, is given in honor of the late humanitarian Mother Theresa. Recipients, chosen to acknowledge their work in religious and charitable causes, are nominated by the public and selected by the Bernadette Institute of Sacred Art. Previous recipients include Rev. Billy Graham, Oprah Winfrey, Archbishop Desmond Tutu, and Pope John Paul II.

John Michael Talbot received his Mother Theresa Award from Father Bob Drombrowski.

Talbot spoke with the *Citizen* about the honor. "I'm humbled and honored that people would consider my work worthy of this," he said. "All I do is write and sing little sacred songs; it's overwhelming."

Talbot was quietly given the award during a Catholic Mass by Father Bob Drombrowski. The award is traditionally given to recipients without fanfare in honor of Mother Theresa who, when presented with the Nobel Peace Prize during her lifetime, requested funds traditionally used for a reception instead be given to the poor. In that spirit, no formal gala accompanies the presentation of the award bearing her name. The statuette itself, however, a likeness of Mother Theresa, is designed by the same company that creates the statuettes for the Oscar and Emmy awards.

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>
> **– John Michael Talbot**

Talbot was also inducted into the Arkansas Entertainer's Hall of Fame earlier in the month. "I was stunned," he said, "I felt totally outclassed." Previous inductees have included Glenn Campbell, Johnny Cash, and country music star Collin Raye. Describing the experience of receiving the honor in the tradition of such great entertainers, Talbot said he turned to his wife and whispered, "What am I doing here?"

Talbot wasn't always so humble. "When I was younger," he said, "and more arrogant than I am now, I thought 'This is the music ministry; it's supposed to reach people.' I took it for granted."

Something more

In the early 1970s, when Talbot was 18, he performed across the country with the rock group Mason Proffit. The group was well known on the country rock scene, even sharing a stage with legends like Pink Floyd and The Grateful Dead. Talbot immersed himself in the music culture of the era, playing with the musicians he had once emulated and experiencing life on the road. Eventually, however, he became disheartened with the emptiness of the rock star lifestyle. "I saw some real tragic scenarios being played out," he said.

The turning point for Talbot came the night Mason Proffit opened for the queen of rock herself, Janis Joplin. He watched her backstage, downing bottles of Southern Comfort like water, and recalls vividly how the stage floor was littered with drug paraphernalia after the concert. "Isn't there something more?" he thought. He realized at that moment he wanted his life to stand for more than the

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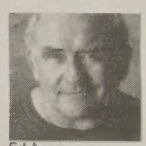
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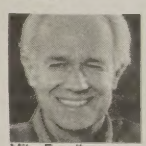
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News Briefs

Basketball clinic at BCC

The annual Berryville basketball clinic will be held from Nov. 8 through Jan. 27 at the Berryville Community Center (BCC). Practices will be held on Tuesdays, Thursdays and every other Saturday. The clinic is for boys and girls who are in 3rd through 6th grades.

The clinic fee is $30 for the nine-week program. Basic fundamentals of basketball will be featured. Registration is available at BCC until Nov. 3. Parents, referees and coaches will meet at 6 p.m. Nov. 3. For details, call BCC at (870) 423-3139.

HITG to stage comedy

The Holiday Island Theater Guild (HITG) will present Over the River and Thru the Woods, a family comedy by Joe DiPietro, Nov. 3 through 5 at the Holiday Island Clubhouse.

A dinner theater performance is set for Thursday, Nov. 3 at 6 p.m. for $25. Non-dining performances for $10 begin at 7:30 p.m., Friday and Saturday.

What the Bleep Do We Know!?

The Eureka Springs Carnegie Public Library will host a free screening of *What the Bleep Do We Know!?*, Friday, Nov. 4 from 7 to 9 p.m. in the Library Meeting Room at 192 Spring St. The film is rated R.

The 2004 film is a lecture on mysticism and science in narrative form and focuses on a photographer who questions her perceptions. *Interviews with quantum physics* experts and New Age authors are inserted in the story.

The film will be followed by a four-week study group led by Cynthia Morin which will meet on four successive Mondays in November from 7 to 9:30 p.m., beginning Nov. 7. The group will follow the *Bleep Study Guide* offered by the Institute of Noetic Sciences and will include discussion of Quantum Reality, Creating Our Days, and Healing the Past.

For details about the showing, call the Library at 253-8754 or e-mail info@eurekalibrary.org. For details about the study group, call Cynthia Morin at 253-8887.

Crafters in the HI Park

Three crafters will hold a sale at The Park on Holiday Island, Saturday, Nov. 5 from 9 a.m. to 3 p.m. in front of the barber and beauty shop.

Barb Hager will offer tote bags, bottle bags, hip-hugger bags, jewelry bags and aprons. Betty Adams will display fleece cuddle blankets, hand-made lap quilts and covered photo albums and scrap books. Debbie Haven will exhibit polymer jewelry, containers and jean jewelry.

Catholic music concert, Nov. 5

Catholic singer and songwriter Annie Karto will perform in concert, Saturday, Nov. 5 at 7 p.m. at St. Anne Church in Berryville.

Karto's latest CD is Perfect Sacrifice, dedicated to Pope John Paul II. It honors the Eucharist.

EUU to host Barnette

The Eureka Unitarian Universalist Fellowship (EUU) will host a discussion about international adoption led by Jimna Barnette, Sunday, Nov. 6 at 11 a.m. at 17 Elk St.

A single mom, Barnette will be accompanied by her 17-month-old daughter, Brentlei, whom she adopted in China.

SJHB schedule

St. John's Hospital – Berryville (SJHB) will sponsor a variety of programs during November, including:

- Tuesday, Nov. 8 at 4:30 p.m., free Diabetes Support Group in the Medical Arts Center conference room, (870) 423-5185; and
- Free Domestic Violence Program (assistance for physical, emotional and verbal abuse), Monday through Friday, 8:30 a.m. to 4:30 p.m, confidential, (870) 423-5194 or toll-free 877-968-2260.

CSS book sale, Nov. 9

Barnes & Noble Booksellers will hold a Eureka Springs Book Fair, Wednesday, Nov. 9 from 4 to 8 p.m. at Clear Spring High School, 409 W. Van Buren.

Fifteen percent of all proceeds will benefit the school. The Book Fair will feature a book signing by Writers' Colony in Dairy Hollow Writer in Residence Nancy Lord of Homer, Alaska.

House Concert to host Moffatt

The final House Concert of the 2005 season will feature a performance by singer and songwriter Katy Moffatt, Wednesday, Nov. 9 at 7:30 p.m. at the Unitarian Church at 17 Elk St.

The House Concert series presents original music for multi-generational audiences in a smoke-free environment.

Quilters to meet

The Eureka Quilters Guild meets the second Wednesday of each month at the Lone Star Bible Church, Hwy. 23S. The Nov. 9 meeting will begin at 10 a.m. followed by a workshop.

Everyone is welcome. For details, call 253-8681 or e-mail bjdicks@arkansas.net.

Non-profits' forum, Nov. 10

The Carroll County Community Foundation (CCCF) will host a free educational forum for local non-profit organizations at the Berryville Community Center, Thursday, Nov. 10 from 8 a.m. to 4 p.m.

The forum will feature two tracks of workshops for both newer and more seasoned organizations, and general information of use to all. Lunch will be provided.

Workshop Track I will offer sessions on basic grant writing, non-profit board development and volunteer recruitment and management. Track II will cover advanced grant writing, lobbying and advocacy and program evaluation.

During lunch a CCCF executive will discuss "The Advantages of Endowment Building for Non-Profit Organizations."

The final session will explore assistance offered by national legislative offices as outlined by John Hicks, field representative for Sen. Blanche Lincoln; Martine Downs, field representative for Sen. Mark Pryor; and Colin Massey, grants coordinator for Rep. John Boozman.

Pre-registration is required. For details or to register, call CCCF at (479) 244-5734 or e-mail carrollcountycommunity@yahoo.com.

Blood drive, Nov. 11

The Community Blood Center of the Ozarks will hold a blood drive, Friday, Nov. 11 from noon to 6 p.m. at the Eureka Springs High School.

Community Thanksgiving Potluck returns

After a two year hiatus, the original Eureka Springs Community Thanksgiving Potluck Dinner will be held at the community building in Harmon Park, 530 Spring St. on Thanksgiving Day, Nov. 24. Doors will open at 1 p.m. and dinner will be at 2.

Attendees are invited to bring a dish, if possible, eating utensils and plates. For details, call Carolyn Oakleaf at 253-2582 or Renae Sterling at 253-6175.

Couples dance classes

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Art Buzz

Eureka Thyme to host Wooten and Treuer

Eureka Thyme will host demonstrations by two local artists as part of the Nov. 4 First Friday Gallery Walk.

Peter Wooten will demonstrate woodcarving and Elissa Treuer will crochet from 6 to 9 p.m. Refreshments will be served and music will be performed by David Deal. Eureka Thyme is located at 121 E. Van Buren, Ste. C in The Quarter. For details, call Marsha Havens at 363-9600.

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Falotico resigns from council

By Bill King

EUREKA SPRINGS – Alderman Aaron Falotico submitted a letter of resignation to Mayor Kathy Harrison and fellow aldermen Saturday.

"Due to unforeseen events in my life I no longer have the resources nor focus needed to properly represent the citizens of Eureka Springs," Falotico wrote. "Effective October 31st I hereby resign from the City Council of Eureka Springs Ward 1 Position 2.

"It has been a pleasure serving on City Council and hope someday in the future that I may have the opportunity again to serve the citizens of Eureka Springs."

Falotico was appointed to council in Sept. 2004 to fill the remainder of Penny Carroll's term after council removed Carroll for allegedly moving out of Ward 1. Carroll maintained she was still a resident of the ward but opted not to fight council's decision in court.

Falotico then ran unopposed for a Ward 1 council seat in Nov. 2004.

According to state code, vacancies on council are filled by a majority vote of the remaining aldermen. Candidates must reside in Ward 1 to be considered. The term runs through Dec. 2006.

Four arrested in meth-lab bust

By Dale McCurry

BUSH – Four area residents were arrested and items allegedly used in the manufacture of methamphetamine were seized in an early morning raid eight miles west of Eureka Springs on Oct. 27.

An area resident said she was out early walking her dog when she heard voices and saw police in Kevlar and carrying M-16s coming up the road behind her.

According to a press release issued by the Carroll County Sheriff's Department, police arrived with arrest warrants for: Ryan Chapman, age 28, of Holiday Island – two counts possession of ephedrine, a class D felony, over nine grams; Jeremy Chapman, age 23, of Eureka Springs – two counts possession of ephedrine, a class D felony, over nine grams; and Rebecca Kvamso, age 34 of Eureka Springs – one count of possession of ephedrine a class D felony, over nine grams.

During the arrest of Rebecca Kvamso, police say items commonly used in the manufacture of meth were observed in plain sight. Rebecca and Melvin Kvamso were arrested and a search warrant obtained. The suspected manufacturing items were seized, along with suspected meth and drug paraphernalia – pipes.

Jeremy Chapman arrived on the scene while officers were present and was arrested on the warrant. Police said drug paraphernalia was found on him.

Ryan Chapman was arrested at his residence on the warrant the same day.

Charges are to be filed on the suspects in circuit court sometime this week, according to the Carroll County Prosecutor's Office.

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The featured artists for the month of November at Eureka Thyme will be the employees of the shop, plus a creative cook and a very talented 2nd grader! The photography of Chnstie Buffington, the polymer clay, decoupage, acrylic paintings and more from Kriste-lee, and the Eureka photography of Randal Thompson will be on display throughout the month of November. As a special treat, we will showcase the work of 7-year-old Alena Dusek. Her acrylics on canvas have been applauded by artists all over the country. We will also showcase beautiful baked goods by Hannah Withers of Little Bread Company fame.

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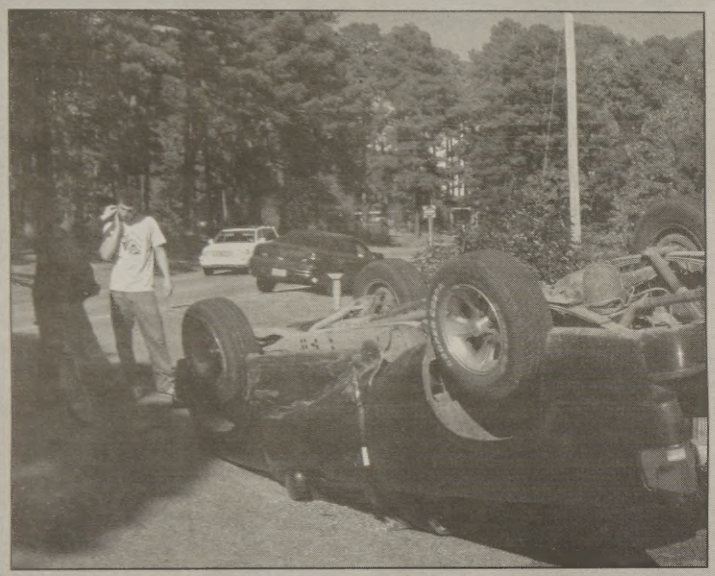

Erich Goodyear helped schoolmate Jeremy Crane pull the glass from his hair after Crane's westbound vehicle failed to yield to an eastbound vehicle on East Van Buren. Crane spotted Goodyear on his bicycle and attempted to turn into the Budget Host Inn parking lot to offer him a ride. Crane's 1999 Chevy pickup was struck on its side and tossed into the air, landing upside-down. Though the truck cab was crushed, Crane somehow escaped with only glass in his hair. He was cited for failure to yield.

(Photo by John Rankine)

Gravelling update

By Patricia Pemberton

EUREKA SPRINGS – During its Oct. 13 meeting, the Parks and Recreation Commission discussed the decision of Parks director Bruce Levine to remove gravel from the creek bed at Leatherwood Fields. Chairman Bill Featherstone moderated the sometimes emotionally charged comments from commissioners and citizens regarding what some felt was nothing short of an environmental disaster.

Arkansas Department of Environmental Quality (ADEQ) recently sent an inspector from its mining department to the site to assess the situation, ADEQ public affairs supervisor Doug Szenher told the *Citizen*. "Because the gravel removed from the creek bed was used for bank stabilization, no permit was needed from our agency," he said.

Szenher did note, however, while the inspector was at Leatherwood Fields, he noticed other work being done near the creek he felt warranted "further investigation." Asked if the issue was connected to the gravel mining, Szenher answered, "There is no report at this time; it's too early to comment on the matter, but the situation does call for further investigation."

Previously, David Hartley, an inspector with ADEQ, noted a potential for water quality issues. Szenher said, "It's too soon to tell whether the matter will be referred to the water department."

The right thing

Levine said he was unaware an inspection had taken place. When told ADEQ said he did not need a permit, as some commissioners had speculated, Levine said, "Wow, a positive thing. Let me get over being stunned."

Levine stated he was hurt by the negative reaction regarding his decision to mine the gravel. "I felt I was doing the right thing for the investment we had made," he said, "I'm glad to know that feeling is justified."

Levine noted residents have called to offer their support and say they understood the reasons behind his actions.

Commissioner David Renko, however, holds a different opinion. "No one is comfortable with an executive opinion like that," Renko told the *Citizen*. "A major concern in the beginning of this project was how to not impact the creek. We tried to do everything the right way, weighing every action we took. I await the ADEQ's official report."

"I never would have done this had I felt it would have a negative impact on the environment," Levine said.

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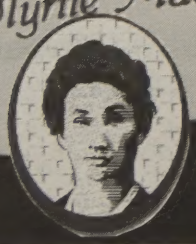

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BAKER

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Deason testified.

Deason was subpoenaed to testify in the contempt case by Baker's attorney, Jeff Rosenzweig. Under questioning by Rosenzweig, Deason acknowledged he never saw the original device, and admitted that very limited monitoring of its detonation was conducted. He insisted, however, that any device containing flash powder is considered a high explosive, and that with the labeling covered with tape, the device found in Koster's shop was, indeed, an IED.

Rosenzweig called Mike Zaloudeck to the stand and after listing extensive credentials as an explosives authority, Epley accepted him as an expert witness.

Zaloudeck critiqued the bomb squad's handling of the original device and said that since a camera filming the explosion did not shake, it was likely those watching experienced a sound wave rather than a blast wave. Zaloudeck noted a window above where the device was exploded did not break as it surely would have under the force of a pipe bomb or IED. He criticized the lack of safety precautions taken by the squad while handling and detonating the device.

Zaloudeck also countered Deason's claims that flash powder in a fire work becomes a high explosive when contained in tape. A metal casing could achieve such a result, but there was no evidence of metal found at the detonation site. He said the device should have been x-rayed before it was detonated, but Deason testified his squad does not x-ray pipe bombs.

On the stand, Koster was cautioned to testify only about the device Baker brought into court because he still faces re-trial. Koster testified that he disarmed the firework before bringing it to Baker to hold as evidence in the trial. He said Baker has had it in her office for two years.

To disarm it, Koster said he made a hole in the end where the fuse goes in, and a metal piece fell out. He then removed the substance the fuse went into and told Baker it had been disarmed.

Charles Scott Tucker, a witness in the Koster trial, backed up Koster's testimony, stating Koster had told him he disarmed the device before taking it to Baker.

Tucker also stated that he returned with Koster to the site of the detonation when Koster got out of jail two years ago, and found only a few pieces of cardboard on the ground where the device exploded.

Baker testified that when first told Koster had another firework like the one he was charged with possessing, she knew it would be an "essential piece of exculpatory evidence."

The confusion in the courtroom arose, Baker said, when she "answered two questions in one sentence and may have made it unclear." She said Epley asked her if the device contained live powder as prosecutor Tony Rogers was asking what the relevance of introducing the device was. Her response was "no" to Epley's question while she answered "It's the one they detonated."

Baker testified she meant to say "it's 'like' the one they detonated."

While the trial transcript concurs with Baker's testimony, three pages later in the transcript it shows Epley saying "Ms. Baker, I cannot tell if this item has been disarmed."

Baker then asked Clark, who was on the stand, if he knew if it had been disarmed.

Clark: "I couldn't tell you."

Baker: "That wasn't the one that was used?"

Clark: "This has not been exploded."

It was at that point Epley had the bailiff remove the device and shortly thereafter the courthouse was evacuated and the bomb squad called in.

When the bomb squad attempted to detonate the device as it had the earlier one, it did not explode. It was then defused and put in the sheriff's evidence locker.

The following morning, Baker filed a motion asking that charges against Koster be dismissed because her evidence had been destroyed. Epley instead ordered a mistrial and set a date for Baker to show cause why she should not be held in contempt.

Rogers has said he'd heard that Baker was going to try to force a mistrial, but Baker testified her case was going well and she did everything she could to prevent a mistrial when her husband, a notary, was going to be called to the stand. To avoid a mistrial, she said she found another way to introduce testimony her husband would have provided.

Rosenzweig said Epley declared a mistrial because the disruption was going to make the trial run longer than the time he had allotted for it. Epley, however, said he called a mistrial because the jury was "irretrievably tainted by observing the actions of the bomb squad."

"That's not Ms. Baker's fault," Rosenzweig argued. "The court could have directed the jury to some other place. It just happened. Ms. Baker hasn't committed any crime for doing it. She should be acquitted and exonerated. What happened was at most an indirect interruption."

Noting the code describing contempt contains the language "willful," Rosenzweig said "the record is devoid of any intent."

"Negligent would not amount to contempt?" the judge asked. Accepting that, he acquitted Baker of charges and set a pre-trial date of Nov. 7 to get the Koster case back on the docket.

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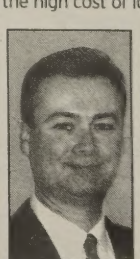

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Why did the deer cross the road

By Dale McCurry

EUREKA SPRINGS – Cathy and J.D. Harris sit on the porch of their North Main home, drinking the morning's first coffee and watching a herd of deer wander through the streets. They worry, as they do nearly every morning, for the safety of the busload of school children due any moment and about other traffic. The deer, they say, have eaten nearly $5,000 worth of plants from their garden and outdoor gallery. The couple, who moved to Eureka Springs in 2004, are echoing a recurring theme.

They say they have tried a number of deer deterrents – the fences and repellents, the sprays that "stink so bad you can't stand to be outside" – all to no avail.

"We even tried feeding them," Cathy said. "Because we were told that was the way to keep them off our flowers and plants."

"We're all for the wildlife," J.D. said. "We love deer. It's like that dog there," he said, pointing to a massive, black and tan bear of a dog – a Canadian long-haired Rottweiler, named, ironically enough, Buck. "Now, I love that dog, but I don't want 500 of him living here with us."

The Harrises are well aware the deer are not a new problem in town and of what considerations have been addressed previously. What they are not convinced of is that all the options have been considered.

J.D. said contacting Arkansas Game & Fish Commission didn't bring forth any new solutions.

"Their attitude is, 'you either do it our way or not at all,'" he said.

Word

The "their way" to which Harris alluded is a controlled bow hunt.

According to a story in the *Arkansas Democrat-Gazette*, officials of Eden Isle, an upscale community on a peninsula of Greers Ferry Lake, reported that Game & Fish advised them of the following options:

- hire someone to administer fertility-control drugs, which are new, experimental and cost $400 to $800 per deer;
- hire sharpshooters, at a cost of $200 to $300 per deer;
- hire someone to trap and relocate the deer, which the commission said is expensive, temporary and labor intensive; or
- conduct an urban bow hunt, which Eden Isle chose to do, with Game & Fish regulating the kills.

Thomas Young of the Arkansas Native Plant and Wildlife Center in Queen Wilhelmina State Park says there really aren't a lot of options left beyond the hunts.

"There are three times as many deer as when Columbus landed," Young said. "What we need are the deer's natural predators. The mountain lion is all but gone; that leaves man. One difference, though, is natural predators cull the weak and wounded, while man seeks the trophy buck, the prize breeding stock.

"I hope people will remember that the conservation measures we all desire are funded by hunters and fishermen, though. We would have already lost the wetlands if it weren't for them," Young said of the hunters who would buy the special tags and harvest the deer if a controlled hunt were approved.

Young was in the news in mid-Oct. for releasing a rehabilitated deer in Dogwood Canyon near Lampe, Mo. "I rehab fawns, but that's mostly PR. Relocation is not really an option."

"If you don't have a harvest, you can't manage the crop," said Jim Price of the local Game & Fish office. "It's not man, but the habitat itself that determines when there is an overpopulation."

"They're good about passing the buck – no pun intended," said Cathy Harris.

"All they will say is that Eureka turned down a hunt, so it's out of their hands," J.D. added.

Previous considerations

Eureka Springs voters rejected the proposition of a controlled hunt in the 2002

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general election by a wide margin – 579 against and 364 for a bow hunt organized by Arkansas Game & Fish.

In Nov. 2004, then-alderman Bill Ott proposed an ordinance outlawing feeding deer in the city. The draft proposed a fine of $50, plus court costs, for a first violation. A second offense would net a $100 fine. Subsequent offenses would cost $150, plus costs.

Prior to refusing to adopt Ott's ordinance, council asked Police Chief Earl Hyatt to weigh in on the issue.

"It seems the biggest issue in this matter is that the deer eat flowers," the chief wrote. "I am fully aware that this makes some people very angry, but I can't bridge the gap between an animal eating flowers and passing a law against feeding wild animals."

Hyatt also wrote that while he does not advocate feeding the deer, he worried that setting up neighbors to be informants could spark neighborhood disputes. He also addressed issues of access and illegal searches, invasion of privacy and proving in court someone is feeding deer, not squirrels or birds.

Another word or two

The changing habitat is as much a part of the white-tailed deer population explosion as the lack of natural predators, according to an article by Anne Broache in the Oct. 2005 *Smithsonian* magazine.

Broache quotes Bill McShea, a wildlife biologist at the National Zoo, in Washington, D.C., as saying deer are an "edge species," meaning they thrive where forests meet fields.

Where the deer and the tourists play – Tourists watch a herd of deer grazing at the side of a hotel along US62. A proposed ordinance outlawing the feeding of deer failed to pass last year. *(Photo by John Rankine)*

Broache wrote:

They seek shelter in forests, but most forest food is too high for them to reach. Edges abound in plants deer can munch. "Originally, the eastern United States was one deep, dark forest," McShea says. "Now it's deer nirvana. It's one big edge."

In some parts of highly suburbanized New Jersey, up to 60 deer live in a square mile, according to the state's Division of Fish and Wildlife, compared with just 5 to 10 deer per square mile before the land was settled by Europeans.

McShea is involved with testing contraceptives for does, which can cost $110 per dose [plus the cost of hiring someone to capture and administer the drugs] and may only last for one breeding season.

Besides the deer grazing on man-planted vegetation, a major consequence of the population explosion is the increase in traffic accidents.

Smart Motorist, Inc.'s website quotes the Insurance Information Institute as reporting that "each year there are approximately 500,000 deer/auto collisions resulting in

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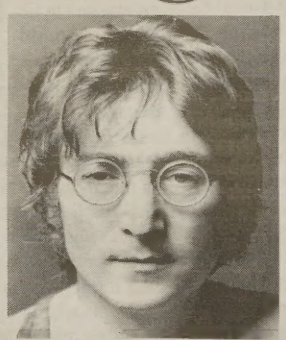
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Editorial

They're all activists

Activist judges – you hear that term a lot these days. The whole push by the right wing in this country in shaping the Supreme Court and lesser courts is to rid the courts of "activist judges who legislate from the bench" and replace them with "strict constructionists" who will "interpret the Constitution as written."

Last week we heard Robert Bork, a "constructionist" Supreme Court nominee rejected by the Senate during the Reagan presidency, say he's tired of hearing the Constitution being referred to as "a living document."

Here's the rub: Conservatives want activist judges every bit as much as liberals do – probably more so. A quick study of the Constitution makes it obvious the conservative agenda is nowhere to be found in the document, so the right wing needs activist judges to achieve their goals.

The right of a woman to choose to terminate a pregnancy is probably the biggest issue conservatives want revisited by the court once it is stacked with radical, right-wing, activist judges. There are, after all, no fetal rights spelled out in the Constitution or its amendments. The Constitution states: "The enumeration in the Constitution of certain rights, shall not be construed to deny or disparage others retained by the people." And: "The powers not delegated to the United States by the Constitution, nor prohibited by it to the States, are reserved to the States respectively, or to the people."

In other words, on the abortion issue, unless a constitutional amendment banning abortion is ratified by Congress and the states, the federal government should butt out of the abortion debate.

Then there's gay marriage. Article IV states: "Full faith and credit shall be given in each state to the public acts, records, and judicial proceedings of every other state."

Seems apparent that under the US Constitution all states are absolutely required to recognize gay marriages performed in Massachusetts. It's conservative activist judges who are keeping that from happening.

And where in the Constitution is the right of the federal government to pass and enforce federal drug laws. Those powers are not delegated to the United States by the Constitution, and are, therefore, left to the states and the people. Activist judges, however, allow these unconstitutional laws to be enforced – including the conservative wing of the Supreme Court (those Scalia/Thomas type "constructionists") which this year ruled federal law trumps state medical marijuana laws. They ridiculously invoked Congress' right to control interstate commerce as their reason, even though no interstate commerce was involved.

The right of the people to be secure in their persons, houses, papers, and effects, against unreasonable searches and seizures, shall not be violated, the Constitution states. Yet somehow, according to the courts, helicopter fly-overs searching for marijuana, drug sniffing dogs, strip searches and mining for bodily fluids are perfectly fine with less probable cause required each year. Is that not judicial activism?

Activist judges have decided that state killing of criminals is not cruel and unusual punishment, and if the Bush administration has its way, neither will be the torture of detainees. If killing and torture are not cruel and unusual punishment, what is? But with activist judges...

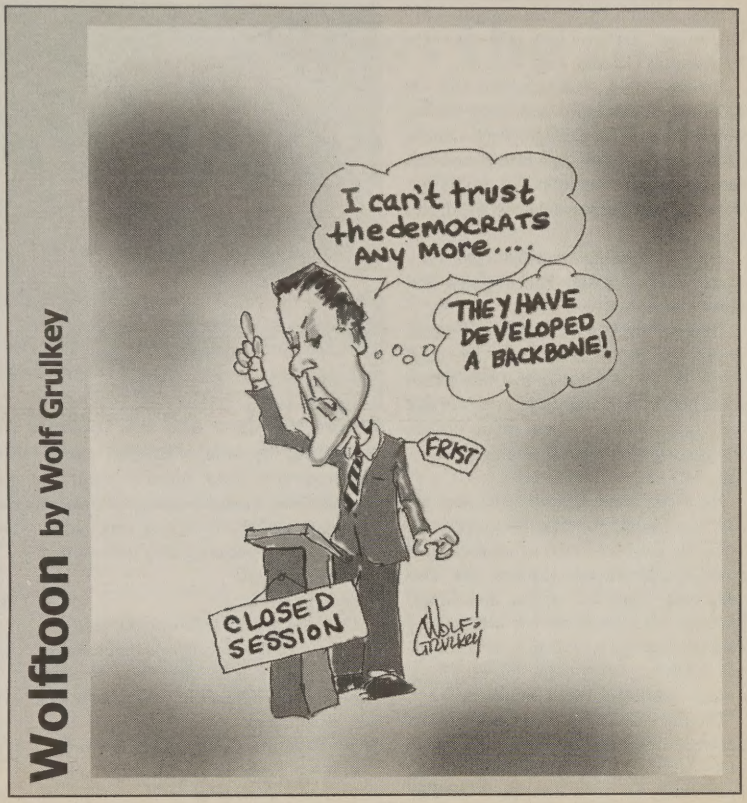
Where in the Constitution does it say prayer is allowed in public schools. or that the federal government has any powers over education? With the right to oversee education not granted to the federal government by the Constitution, education, too, should be left to the state or the people. The same could be said for work done by federal agencies such as HUD, HHS, FDA and EPA.

And the next time you see protesters being arrested for demonstrating without a permit, you might wonder why judges allow such arrests. The Constitution specifically says Congress shall pass NO laws infringing on the right of the people to peaceably assemble.

"This Constitution, and the laws of the United States which shall be made in pursuance thereof... shall be the supreme law of the land; and the judges in every state shall be bound thereby." Why then have so many laws been made and upheld by the judiciary which are contrary to the Constitution?

We're not saying the federal government should not be involved in any of the forementioned areas, or the hundreds of others where it has meddled without Constitutional authority. What we are saying is the Constitution *is* a living document that needs to evolve with the times.

No one from the left or right really wants it to be strictly interpreted, they just want it interpreted to agree with their philosophical leanings. Liberals wants the rights granted by the Constitution to be ever expanding, while conservatives want rights limited. Despite what they preach, both ends of the political spectrum want activist judges who will help achieve those goals.



The Latimer Cup

Every tourist town worth its Triple A stars needs a signature event and I think ours ought to be the Latimer Cup. I have the perfect model event in mind.

I used to live in a Colorado tourist town where our most beloved annual ritual was a ski race known as the Epworth Cup. This competition was a strictly local expression of the sort of psychosis that tourist towns enjoy at the end of "season" which was, in this case, ski season.

On the day of the Epworth Cup, everybody hopped into their 4-wheel-drive vehicles with studded snow tires and drove out of town to the base of a nearby glacier. All participants, spectators and competitors alike, consumed enormous quantities of their adult beverage of choice. Then the racers hoisted their skis and staggered to the top of the glacier, which was located at an altitude where the atmospheric oxygen level is approximately equal to that of the moon.

Most of the racers made it back to the bottom of the glacier... except for this one guy named Epworth, who lost the race in a spectacularly tragic fashion. Which is, as you might guess, how the Epworth Cup got its name.

Now that I'm older and wiser, I have realized two very important things: One, it's really stupid and dangerous and self-destructive to get drunk and ski on glaciers. Two, you don't have to get drunk and ski on glaciers to be really stupid and dangerous and self-destructive.

•BACKTALK•

Kim Ridenour

We're currently engaged in one of our least beloved annual rituals, also known as the argument about the Latimer CUP. As usual, the only real argument is about who should be canonized, Ron and Sandy Latimer or Mayor Harrison and former Mayor Satori.

As usual, advocates of denying the Latimers their CUP are met with brilliant arguments like, "Yeah? Well Beau didn't pay his sales tax!" Advocates of giving the Latimers their CUP are met with equally brilliant arguments like, "Yeah? Well Sandy ate my cat!"

What's the point of even talking about this if we're just going to be crazy and irrational?

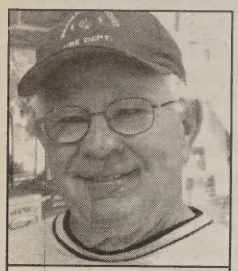
We don't need a Latimer CUP. We need the Latimer Cup.

It doesn't matter if it's a boat race, a foot race or a cow chip launching competition. As long as the event is self-destructive for all participants and spectators, it will qualify.

Do you think the president has kept his promise to restore honesty and integrity to the White House?

Who asked YOU?

Citizen Opinion By John Rankine



Steve Sell
Rock Picker

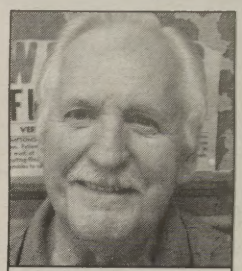
I don't think there's been integrity and honesty in the White House since Harry S. Truman.

Nobie Rothell
Loves Eureka

Yes. With all the unforeseen problems that have come up, the president's handled himself very well, starting with 9/11, bad information about WMDs, the latest hurricanes and dealing with the liberal media. I'm strictly Fox News.

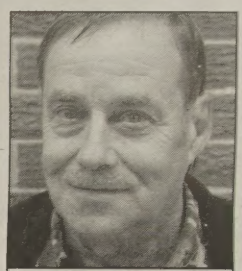
Sheldon Pence
Local Carpenter

I don't really follow the political scene, but I would have to say that the president has not kept his word to the American people.



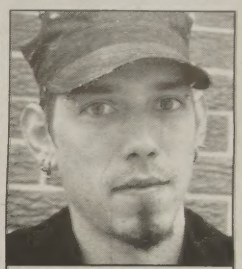
Phil Isenberg
Gratefully Retired

I was originally a Republican, but this last episode with Scooter Libby proves to me the White House falsified documents (uranium in Niger) to lead us into war in Iraq.



Mike Sutton
Confirmed Independent

No, but he has presided over doubling our gas prices, killing 2,000 of our American soldiers, alienating us from the rest of the world and attacking a sovereign nation without provocation.



Orion Maese
Musician

The question's a joke, right? Can I curse? %@#% no !!!!

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Referenda live

Editor:

I hope my fellow citizens will go to the polls Nov. 8, write in or stamp onto their ballot the two illegally decided referendum items – the Latimer settlement and the Corley St. easement – and vote against them.

In both decisions, four city council members broke laws by going against state statutes and city ordinances. In the case of Corley St., state and city laws clearly say these decisions must first go before the Planning Commission for planning review, compliance with the laws and public comment. By breaking the laws, circumventing the Planning Commission and granting an illegal easement, it is my belief that these council members not only put the health and safety of our community at risk, but also denied the public's right to comment.

In the Latimer case, the law says denial of a CUP by Planning is to be appealed to and decided in court. It is my belief council made an illegal settlement rewarding constant law breaking, and illegally sold a CUP which by law only the Planning Commission can grant.

Through these actions these council members have taken away the only protection we have for our homes and neighborhoods, businesses, livelihoods and property values from unbridled and unplanned development. Without these laws we have no protection. Visitors, who provide a lot of our jobs, come here for the beauty of our town. Only through careful planning and following the laws will we keep it that way for them and ourselves.

On Nov. 8, write in exactly as written or stamp onto your ballot both referendums and write "against" below. Call me if you need more information.

Karen Lindblad

Ride Sally ride

Editor:

In 1992-93, I was a disc jockey and blues music director at a Little Rock radio station. After being president of the original Arkansas Blues Connection and paid by radio stations to cover and report the blues for several years, I began to hear talk about the Eureka Springs Blues Festival and how things had changed with a new producer who had greatly improved its line-up of talent.

Of course I had to check it out. I called their well-publicized office (most events didn't have an office) where I got a well informed person who took my name and number and told me to respond via fax on station letterhead and they would take care of the rest. In all the travels to all the shows I covered, I never have been treated with the level of professionalism I found when I arrived in Eureka Springs for the show.

I had to meet the person responsible and when I did, I knew from experience – *she's got it!* I never missed one of her shows after that. The best acts, the best of Eureka, Sally! Eureka Springs, now you got her. Best do whatever you have to do to keep her. You've a priceless asset in Sally. Thanks, *Citizen*.

Mike 'Lil' Michael' Dennis

Deride Sally deride

Editor:

Memory loss seems to have spread across Eureka again.

Sally Riker Thackery had been quoted in your paper saying she is going to build all of Eureka's festivals in the way she built Blues Fest.

Is that what Eureka really wants? To give her a shot at draining, destroying and otherwise running into the ground *all* our festivals the same way she has done the Blues Fest. The Eureka Springs Blues Fest was "built" long before Sally came to pour Pepsis. It was a sellout event that formerly brought in hundreds of thousands of dollars to our city.

Has Eureka already forgotten the headlines of the L.C.C. after this year's fest? Let me refresh your memory. "What if you had a Blues Fest and nobody came?"

Until Sally risks her own money and provides this festival for free as a service to this community (which, by the way, is the way the original Blues Fest was "built") it will benefit no one except Sally.

The Blues Fest has been on a steady decline ever since she reared her head. Not to mention the arrests, fights and general booziness which now come hand in hand. I don't know anyone in Eureka who can afford to roll the dice on events. Wipe the sleep out of your eyes Eureka or continue to flush the festival toilet.

Rich Jones

Board insane

Editor:

Boyd Bush as manager of the Good Shepherd Thrift Shop allowed 20 truckloads of trash to accumulate behind the shop? And he was given how much money to perform these managerial duties? If the "old board" can't see that there is something wrong with this picture, I think a commitment for all to the nearest mental institution is in order!

Bonnie Turrell

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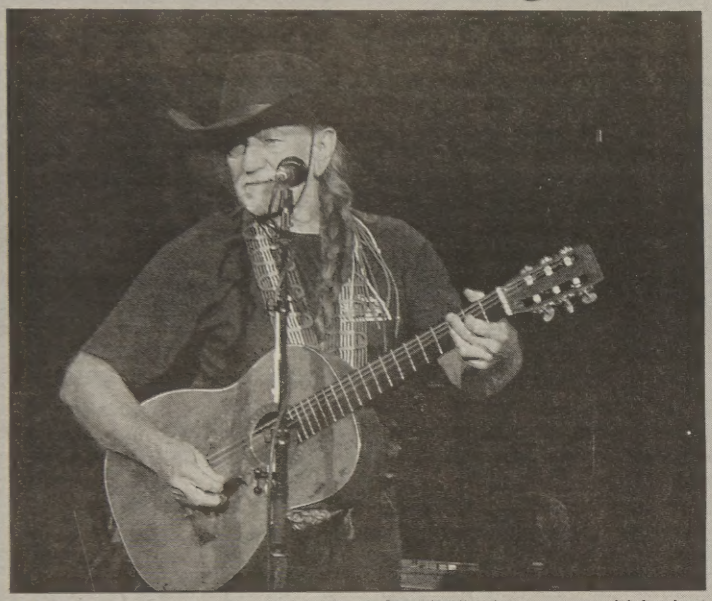
Willie sells out, again



All 984 seats at the Eureka Springs City Auditorium were sold for last Saturday's Willie Nelson concert. Apparently fans of the legendary performer had no problem paying the $89 – $99 ticket price to hear their idol croon such classics as "Crazy", "Mammas Don't Let Your Babies Grow Up To Be Cowboys", and "Uncloudy Day." Nelson received several standing ovations throughout the evening. This is the fourth year in a row Willie has sold out the AUD.

(Photo by John Rankine)

CAPC

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"If there is an avenue for us to be benevolent, and I know funds are tight," said Commissioner Terry McClung, "there is no one more deserving than that museum."

Commissioner Richard Grinnell suggested waiting for Sally Thackery's projected profit and loss report for the 2006 festivals due in November before making a decision.

It's not been denied, we're just going to wait for additional reports," Chair Bryan Sumpter said.

An Aud report

Auditorium director Ray Dilfield reported that he spent most of Folk Festival Sunday "persuading Judy Collins' staff off of their preconceived notions" of Arkansas residents. "I think they were surprised we had electricity," he said.

Dilfield said he has contacted the fire department to establish compulsory CPR training as a condition of working as a volunteer (usher, etc.) in the Auditorium. He also reported working with several independent promoters and alluded to upcoming shows to be announced, when confirmed with "paper in hand."

Financials

Operations director Sheila Hulsey delivered the following financial report:

Total August revenue collected during September was $101,110 – 1 percent less than projected and .4 percent less than collected last September.

Lodging collections for the month were down 1 percent, restaurants were down 3.6 percent, while gift shops were up 9.4 percent.

In year-to-date collections, lodging is 6.2 percent ahead of last year, restaurants are about even, while gift shops are down 3.4 percent. Collections overall are less than 1 percent below last year, or down about $5,000.

Hulsey said that collections from an antique mall, which had voluntarily collected the CAPC tax until February, were about $5,000 from March through August of last year – equal to the amount overall collections were down for virtually the same period this year.

Other stuff

Executive Director Lynn Berry reported that at the Nov. 2 workshop Thackery will provide budgets for the 2006 May Festival of the Arts and Blues Festival. "I believe we'll see some changes in a line called 'Revenue,'" Berry said.

Berry was appointed the official liaison to the Chamber of Commerce, as requested by the Chamber.

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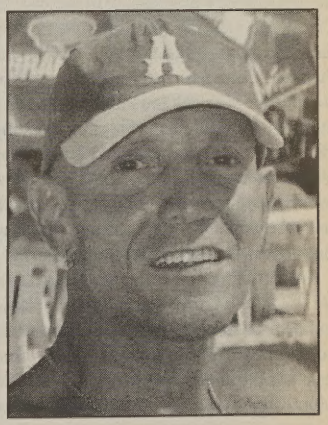

All are welcome to attend a **memorial service** for **Luiz da Rosa** on Sunday, November 6 at 2:00 p.m. at the Elk Street Church

VOTE

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$1,200 a month toward operating 911 in the city.

The tax on city resident phone bills yields approximately $2,250 a month, according to Stoppel. If voters approve the ballot question, that money will come to the city rather than the county, and any funds in excess of the operation costs would be used to upgrade equipment, Stoppel said.

Approval of the measure would not increase or add new taxes, rather it would take money from one dispatch center and use it in another.

If the measure is approved, Eureka Springs would handle its own emergency dispatching, but those living in the western district outside the city limits would have their 911 calls handled by the central dispatch in Berryville. Stoppel has said, however, that the city is willing to continue handling rural emergency calls in the district at no charge to the county if the county allows it.

Stoppel and Eureka Springs Police Chief Earl Hyatt believe the city has provided excellent 911 service to the district and adhere to the "if it ain't broke, don't fix it" philosophy. Stoppel said western district rural fire district chiefs would prefer to have Eureka Springs continue to dispatch emergency calls.

Eureka Springs restaurateur KJ Zumwalt had a "really unsettling" experience two weeks ago that made her a big supporter of keeping the 911 dispatch in town. As she approached her restaurant, she came upon " a really bad motorcycle accident" where the driver "was in really bad shape." Using her cell phone, Zumwalt's call went to the dispatch in Berryville. After spending what she believes was about three minutes describing the situation and location to the dispatcher, her call was transferred to Eureka Springs where she had to tell the whole story again."

While Zumwalt has nothing but praise for the emergency responders who were on the scene "within minutes," she felt time she spent talking to the county dispatch was "an extra three minutes too much.

"In those types of situations, every minute really counts," Zumwalt said. When every minute counts, it's hard to talk to someone in Berryville."

Currently, 911 calls from the western district still come to Eureka Springs. Zumwalt's went to Berryville because it was a made from a cell phone.

Hyatt said he believes that if voters reject the ballot measure, the county will pull its dispatch equipment from Eureka Springs. If that happens, city 911 calls would be routed to the county and transferred to Eureka Springs on a regular telephone line rather than on a computer screen that details location and other information.

Calls for comment as to how calls from the western district will be handled by central dispatch were not returned by Carroll County Sheriff Chuck Medford, who, beginning in January. will be the administrator of the central dispatch.

The non-referendums

Two referendum issues will not be on the ballot because Circuit Court Judge Alan Epley ruled the petitions for referendum were submitted late. Mayor Kathy Harrison is appealing that decision.

A group calling itself Citizens for an Honest Government, however, is urging voters to write in or stamp the ballot titles on the ballot and write for or against next to them as described in Arkansas Code. The code states that if an election commission fails to place an issue on a ballot after it has been certified, votes written in or stamped are to be counted if the issue is otherwise legal. The group hopes the write-in votes will be counted if the Arkansas Supreme Court overturns Epley's ruling.

One referendum question seeks to overturn a City Council decision to settle a lawsuit brought by Sandy Latimer, the other to overturn a council decision to grant an easement through Corley St.

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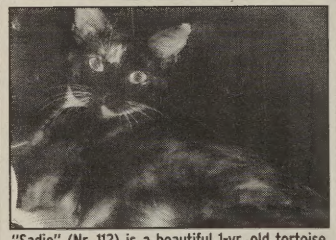

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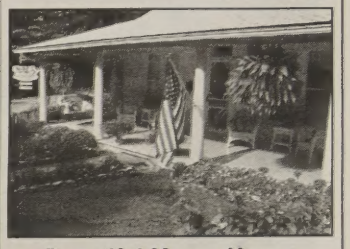

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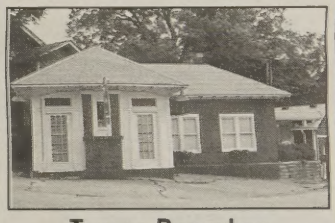

Texaco Bungalow

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Halloween Around Town

Spooky and Kooky... Halloween Weekend kicked-off with Friday Night's Mad Hatter Ball at the Crescent Hotel. The Eureka Springs School of the Arts fundraiser had some pretty outrageous headdresses including Geisha girl Laurie Jackson's (right) winning hat and Valerie Damon's balloon headdress that got a little too close to the candlelit centerpiece. See page 27 for more Halloween pics.

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13 CLOUD -Beautiful large home with lots of possibilities. This house has an unfinished base-ment approximately 2000 sq. ft. It has an over-head door and other outside doors. It has a work shop too. Natural gas grill on the back deck. Fireplace is ducted into the heating system. Basement has a vent for another fireplace or stove. Has two beautiful bowed windows. $287,000

1 MISSION HILLS LANE – 3 Bedroom, 2 1/2 bath home under construction, overlooking #2 green, beautifully, architecturally designed home with 25 foot ceilings in the living room, fireplace, 2.5 car garage, large deck, sits at the end of the cul-de-sac. $285,000

38 INDIAN WELLS DRIVE – 4 bd, 3 bath, 2700 sq ft. 1 Block from Country Club, close to shopping, large deck, tons of storage, gas fireplace, 1000 sq ft work shop. This one will fool you from the street! $249,000.

30 COUNTRY CLUB DRIVE – Super location 2 blocks from country club, nice eastern valley view, fp. Approx. 1750 sq. ft., new storage shed, work shop 12'x12', 3 bd. 2 bath, huge deck, great condition, asking $179,000.

122 STATELINE DRIVE – 3 bedroom/2 bath. Over 1700 sq. feet. Nice flat yard. Asking $124,900 due to an estate sale.

15 DOVE LANE – 2 bd., 2 bath, freshly painted inside and outside, all rooms wired for cable and telephones. Immaculate woodwork throughout. Wooded area, quiet street and low maintenance. $117,900.

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TALBOT

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emptiness he saw around him.

Talbot said he left Mason Proffit and began searching for answers to his spiritual questions. He tried several spiritual paths and studied several world religions before finding a sense of peace within the Catholic Church. He joined an Indiana Franciscan monastery, briefly, intending to live as a hermit. He spent his time primarily in solitude and cloaking himself in a habit he made from discarded army blankets.

Talbot found people were consistently drawn to his ability to relate spiritual tenets through music, so he decided to try to create his own ministry. "Music has an excellent ability to stir that mysterious, intuitive part of every human being, and I found people began to form around my presence," he said. "We began to outgrow that space."

After gaining permission from the Church to start his own music ministry, he returned to Eureka Springs where he founded the Little Portion Hermitage, a unique integrated community in the monastic tradition. Talbot notes it's rare for the Church to recognize an integrated monastic community, specifically one comprised of not only single persons but married couples and families. "There are only 10 similar communities worldwide," he noted, "and most of them are in Europe."

"Give me Chastity and continence, but not yet."
Saint Augustine (354-430 AD)

Talbot describes the way of life in a monastic community as "far more intense than what most people experience in a traditional church." Vows of poverty, obedience, and chastity are taken by members of the Hermitage, although, he notes, unlike traditional monastic vows, "The vow of chastity is taken as it is appropriate to that person's stage in life." He notes members approach this vow with the sole intention of using their sexuality in a way that is live-giving and pure.

"We live in a time when sexuality is being grappled with," he said, "but we strive to live as though God is the primary spouse, and we learn how to relate to others through that relationship."

Beyond monastic vows, Talbot notes the way of life for members of the Hermitage is in positive contrast to the modern world. A key component to daily life is the quest for simplicity. "We're trying to live simply in the face of American consumerism, and in contrast to the rampant individualism of the West."

Recalling the text where Jesus told his followers to "become like little children," Talbot noted "Mother Theresa is the embodiment of that idea, which we strive to achieve in our daily lives."

Like other members of the Hermitage, Talbot said he spends a large amount of time in quiet reflection. Prayer and meditation are at the forefront of their spiritual lives. "The root of simplicity is to listen," he said. "However, there needs to be a balance between contemplation and service. Solitude cannot be used as an escape from the responsibilities of relationships."

Talbot spoke of changes to his own spirituality over the years. "Maturity comes through failure," he said with a laugh. "And a person changes as he or she discovers more and more about the unique spirit God gave them. Everyone's spiritual path is different, but eventually everyone finds their own place."

Talbot emphasized the need for patience and tolerance within all religious communities. "The older I get, the more I am aware of the potential of darkness within myself given the right set of circumstances. We're all unworthy, and I strive to love people regardless of what they are doing in their lives. We have to learn to dialogue our differences instead of argue them.

"Sin is the great equalizer."

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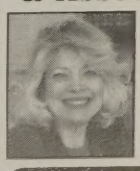

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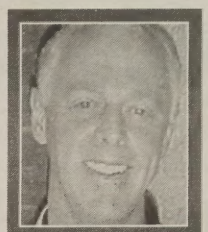
Jim Fain

Some natural health products that haven't hit the mainstream have odd sounding names. Idebenone is just that sort of supplement. As far as I can tell, it is pronounced Ida Be None. Sort of sounds like the name of lady who would most certainly be able to make a great apple pie.

Idebenone has been well studied clinically. In the material I reviewed, there were 23 studies referenced with many being done with human beings. One was a 2-year double blind, multicenter study looking at safety and usefulness in the treatment of Alzheimer's disease. This sort of clinical evaluation is considered the Holy Grail of studies, so good information exists for the supplement that sounds like an apple pie baking lady.

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Doses of up to 900 mg/day have been proven safe. This supplement is akin to CoQ-10 but does a better job with some ailments, especially the ones I've listed, and is much less pricey. Remember the name of the apple pie lady and the old adage, "An apple a day..."

BRIEFS

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ESHS receives MIT grant

Eureka Springs High School, represented by its EAST Lab, was one of 18 high schools that recently received Lemelson-MIT InvenTeams grants to invent an affordable and portable wristband health monitoring and warning device for young people at risk from high blood pressure.

Grants of up to $10,000 will support each team. The Eureka Springs InvenTeam includes: EAST students Kaleb Killion (team leader); Ezra Gill; Joseph Jones; Kate Murphy; Landon Wade; and non-EAST students: Andy Brown-Hebert; Marissa Sanchez; and Jennifer Storch. For details, call Mila Powell at 253-2936.

Yoga and hiking groups forming

A fall hiking club is now forming and will hold an organizational meeting this month. The hikes will be led by Pam Campbell and will be held on Tuesdays and Thursdays from 5:30 to 6:30 p.m.

Lynn Larson will lead beginning yoga classes on Tuesdays from 3:30 to 4:30 p.m.

For details or to register for these activities, call elementary school nurse Lydia Bush at 253-8704.

Booth to chair Task Force

Eureka Springs Mayor Kathy Harrison has announced the creation of a Mayor's Task Force in accordance with several provisions of the Master Vision List 2004, adopted by the Eureka Springs City Council in 2005.

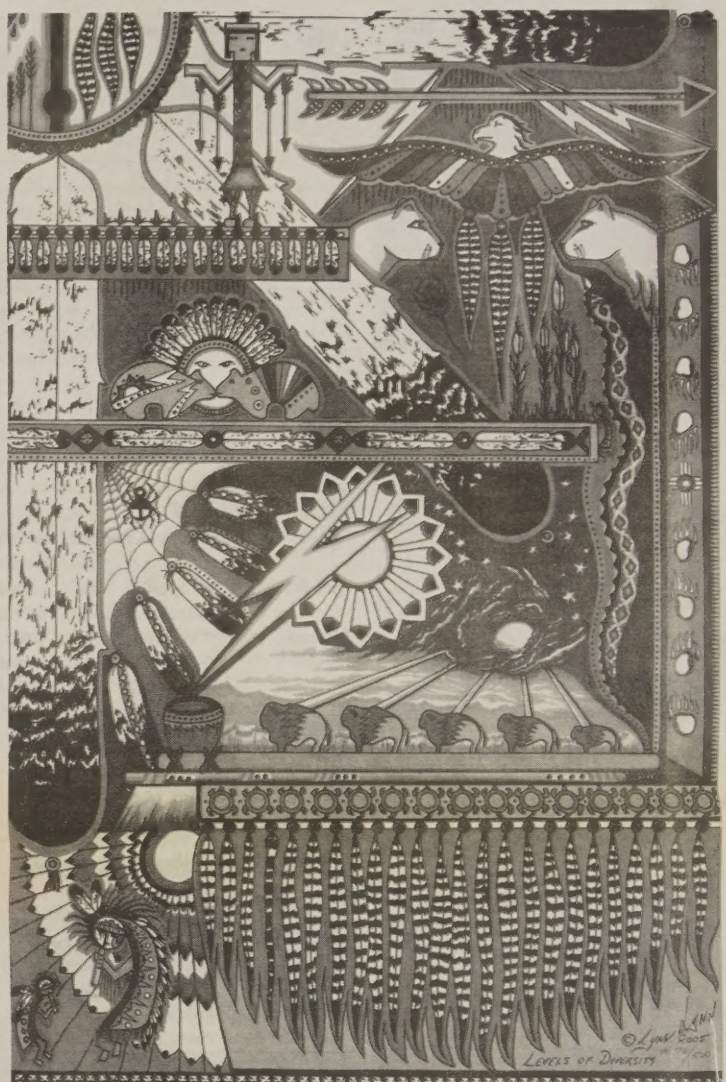
The force is charged with planning and implementing all aspects of Eureka Springs arts and cultural heritage projects, including the Arts & Cultural Economic Development District and marketing the city as an arts & cultural destination in cooperation with the CAPC, Chamber of Commerce and other related programs. The Task Force will facilitate involvement by stakeholders in arts, culture and heritage.

Harrison appointed Economic Development Coordinator and Certified Local Government Coordinator Glenna Booth to chair the force at its first meeting in November.

Yoga of Sound retreat

Musician, chant and meditation teacher Russill Paul will hold a Yoga of Sound retreat, Nov. 11 through 13 at Little Portion Conference Center of More Mountain.

Originally from South India, Paul teaches at Wisdom University in Oakland, Calif. For details, call Jackie Grimmett at 253-5758.



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9pm-2am	**Dance Party with Crave•** - with special "Go-Go" dancer "Misty". Caribe 309 W. Van Buren, ES, 253-8102
9pm - 2am	**"Collide' Dance"** with Professional 'Go-Go' Dancer "MAD MAX," Evergreen Room (behind Forest Hill Restaurant), 3016 E. Van Buren, ES

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9pm -2am **"Crave" Dance & 'Go-Go' Dance Contest FINALS!** MC'd by KJ! Caribe, 309 W. Van Buren, ES, 253-8102

9pm - 2am **"Collide" Dance & 'Go-Go' Dance Contest FINALS!** MC'd by Ric. Evergreen Room (behind Forest Hill Restaurant), 3016 E. Van Buren, ES

9pm-12am **"Blue Moon"** plays at Jack's Place, 37 Spring St. Downtown ES, 253-2219

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Another bitch. Isn't it lovely that people can lock and unlock their cars, SUVs and trucks with a push of a button on their key chain that toots like a horn to let them know it worked and where to find their cars. However, isn't the vehicle horn a warning to get out of the way?

Many times I have jumped aside when I heard these little beeps thinking I was going to get run over while walking through a parking lot or across a street. Now I've become somewhat immune to the sound. Therefore I am in danger of getting run over by ignoring a toot of a horn in a parking lot or a street where cars are parked on the curb. Who the hell thought that sound should be used like that?

In other states in which I have driven there are signs in the center of some crosswalks on streets that are in a shopping district or tourist district that tell drivers "It's the law to STOP for pedestrians." The lettering is Day-Glo green and red and much easier to notice than worn out white lines on a tar or cement road. I know signs cost money, but isn't it cheaper to produce and use such signs than to pay hospital, lawsuit or funeral expenses?

At the intersection of Spring Street and North and South Main (Hwy. 23), wouldn't it be clearer if a sign was put under the stop sign for the people traveling south on Hwy. 23 that says: Oncoming Traffic Does Not Stop or Other Traffic Does Not Stop?

No name please. Some think I am a sweet little old grandma. I don't want to ruin that image. Misguided people are kind to me because of it, but I remain:

A. Beach

Dear Beach,

Have you thought of applying for Andy Rooney's job? Surely he's got to be getting ready to retire, and you seem prepared to step right into the job.

Ma thinks all your beefs are valid. Regarding crosswalks, pedestrians should always be given the right of way and drivers should always stop and wave them across the street when they are spotted looking to cross; especially in a tourist town like Eureka Springs. Ma believes it's a small gesture that goes a long way in showing we are a welcoming community who likes having visitors walk around our town.

Ma

DEER

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over 100 deaths and thousands of injuries. Each deer/auto collision costs the auto insurance industry about $2,000," the report says.

What's a kinder, gentler town to do

Local artist Zeek Taylor, who was the spokesperson for a "loose knit collection" of people who opposed the urban deer hunt proposed in 2002, offered stats used to defeat the measure:

"An article in *Deer and Deer Hunting* magazine released a survey from a poll of 229 hunters in 40 states. The finding was that the bow hunters reported wounding 67 deer per 100 harvested," Taylor reported.

"Buckmasters.com says, 'one must realize that game animals shot with arrows die from blood loss.'" Taylor wrote. He said the site goes on to teach hunters how to find deer by following a blood trail. "That blood trail could lead to your yard or to a wounded deer on Spring Street – a sight that would be upsetting to residents and tourists alike."

Taylor says that with non-lethal means such as unpalatable roadside plantings, improved fencing techniques and the use of roadside reflectors to deter deer from crossing the road, some communities are actually reducing the number of deer/vehicle collisions.

Chief Hyatt agrees there may be no-kill methods that could help. He said he recently saw a motion-sensor-activated sprinkler system that looked promising.

"Probably the biggest problem is people feeding the deer. I'm not for the neighbor Nazis, keeping an eye on one another, though," Hyatt said. "I think we need to rely on common sense, not more laws. I think it comes down to the citizens policing themselves."

Look, dear, deer... and there... and

J.D. Harris said conversations with Fish & Game officials invariably returned to a bow hunt in the city.

"I told them, 'Let's just don't go there anymore. The people have spoken; they do not want a bow hunt in the city,'" Harris said.

"I want to make it plain: We do not want a bow hunt. We don't want to see the deer eliminated. We just don't think it's unreasonable to consider other options. It was: 'Hunt or nothing.'"

Harris said each suggestion made to Game & Fish was tossed back in his lap.

"They wanted *me* to find a property owner who would allow an extended hunt when I mentioned that maybe if there were fewer deer outside of town the population would shift and balance out. We asked if we – as citizens, I mean – managed to help them [Game & Fish] lower the population in town – through some means acceptable to everyone – do they have a plan to keep it from coming back again?

"I don't think that's asking too much; but they don't seem interested in even entertaining the question."

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9pm-2am — Diversity Pride Event: Dance Party with Crave• - with DJ Kiki. **Caribes'** 309 W. Van Buren, ES, 253-8102

SATURDAY CONTINUED

9pm-2am — Diversity Pride Event: Collide with DJ Brian Go-Go Guy & Gal Dance Contest. Prizes. **The Evergreen Room**, behind Forest Hill Restaurant, 2016 W. Van Buren, ES.

11pm-3am — **Forest Hill Restaurant** After Hours Breakfast - Join us for a late night snack or an early breakfast!

SUNDAY 11/06/05

8:30 am — Name That Tune with Sandy - **Smokehouse Café**, 580 W.Van Buren, ES, 253-9842

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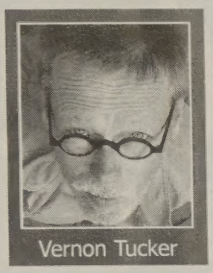
Vernon Tucker

Diversity Weekend

• The hills are alive with **Diversity Weekend** – Tarot readings, bingo, talent contests, music, dancing, kings, queens and bears and late-night munchies. Check out pgs. 20, 21 and 23 for the real low-down on high times this weekend.

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Thanks to **Linda Hagar, Debbie Sederstrom** and **Fatima Swallow,** and all who want **you** to know what **Eureka** *can* taste like.

House Concert

♫ The final **House Concert** of the season will feature singer and songwriter **Katy Moffatt**, Wednesday, Nov. 9 at the **Unitarian Church**, 17 Elk St. It's a smoke-free concert for all ages and the organizers promise you'll be home by 10 p.m.

– Vernon

★ Thursday, Nov. 3 ★

• **Eureka Music Park: Open Jam**
• **Holiday Island Clubhouse: HI Theater Guild** presents **"Over the River and Thru the Woods"**, (Dinner Theater Comedy), 6 p.m.
• **Lumberyard Bar & Grill: Karaoke & Dancing**
• **Unitarian Church: Songswap Songwriters' Circle**, 8 p.m.

★ Friday, Nov. 4 ★

• **Basin Park Hotel Balcony: Fish Fry with Bluegrass Music**, 11 a.m.-2 p.m. & 5:30-8:30 p.m.
• **Caribe: Diversity Dance Party with Crave**, 9 p.m.-2 a.m.
• **Chelsea's: The House Band**
• **Eureka Live: Silverstone**, (Rock & Roll)
• **Evergreen Room: Diversity Collide with DJ Brian & Dance Contest**, 9 p.m.-2 a.m.
• **Holiday Island Clubhouse: HI Theater Guild** presents **"Over the River and Thru the Woods"**, (Comedy), 7:30 p.m.
• **Jack's Place: Diversity Karaoke & Dancing with Lita**, 5 p.m.-2 a.m.
• **Lumberyard Bar & Grill: Karaoke & Dancing with DJ TIC**
• **New Delhi Cafe: Live Entertainment**
• **Office Pub & Steakhouse: Blast From the Past**, (50s & 60s DJ)
• **Shawbee's Big Dawg Saloon: Diversity Open Mic**, 7-8:30 p.m., and **Moodswing Country & Retro**, 9 p.m.-2 a.m.
• **Tiki Torch: Diversity DJ Dancing and "Sneak Peak" Show** at 11 p.m.

★ Saturday, Nov. 5 ★

• **Basin Park Hotel Balcony: Crosstown Richard**, 11:30 a.m.-2:30 p.m. & 5:30-8:30 p.m.
• **Caribe: Diversity Dance Party with Crave and DJ Kiki**
• **Chelsea's: Iris**
• **Eureka Live: Silverstone**, (Rock & Roll)
• **Evergreen Room: Diversity Bears' Contest**, 11 a.m.-3 p.m. and **Dance Contest with DJ Brian**, 9 p.m.-2 a.m.
• **Henri's: Sarah Hughes**, 9 p.m.
• **Holiday Island Clubhouse: HI Theater Guild** presents **"Over the River and Thru the Woods"**, (Comedy), 7:30 p.m.

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• **Lumberyard Bar & Grill: Diversity Drag Queen & Drag King Show**, 3-7 p.m., **Bingo**, 7-9 p.m., and **Karaoke & Dancing with DJ Lita**, 9 p.m.-closing
• **Mud St. Cafe: Jori Costello**, (Folk & Jazz), 6-8 p.m.
• **New Delhi Cafe: Live Entertainment**
• **Office Pub & Steakhouse: Two Dog Two Karaoke**
• **Pied Piper Cathouse Lounge: Diversity Jae Baelli's Guitar Bar plus Justice Harlow**, 8-9 p.m.
• **Shawbee's Big Dawg Saloon: Diversity Open Mic**, noon-3 p.m., **Moodswing Country & Retro**, 9 p.m.-2 a.m.
• **Smokehouse Cafe: Diversity "Name That Tune" with Sandy**, 8:30 a.m.
• **Tiki Torch: Diversity Drag Show, Frozen T-Shirt and Boxer Contests, DJ Dancing**, 2 p.m.-2 a.m.

★ **SUNDAY, NOV. 6** ★

• **Basin Park Hotel Balcony: Crosstown Richard**, 11:30 a.m.-2:30 p.m.
• **Chelsea's: Iris Jam**, afternoon

★ **MONDAY, NOV. 7** ★

• **Caribe: Cherry Brooks & Cal Jackson**, 6-9 p.m.
• **Lumberyard Bar & Grill: Monday Night Football**
• **Office Pub & Steakhouse: Monday Night Football**
• **Smokehouse Cafe: Diversity "Name That Tune" with Sandy**, 8:30 a.m.
• **Tiki Torch: Monday Night Football**

★ **TUESDAY, NOV. 8** ★

• **Chelsea's: Open Mic**, 8 p.m.
• **Jack's Place: Karaoke with Lita**
• **Lumberyard Bar & Grill: Texas Hold 'em Poker**

★ **WEDNESDAY, NOV. 9** ★

• **Tiki Torch: Karaoke with Tiny**
• **Unitarian Church: House Concert** presents **Katy Moffatt**, (Singer & Songwriter), 7:30 p.m.

Katy Moffatt will be featured at the final House Concert of the season at the Unitarian Church on Wednesday.

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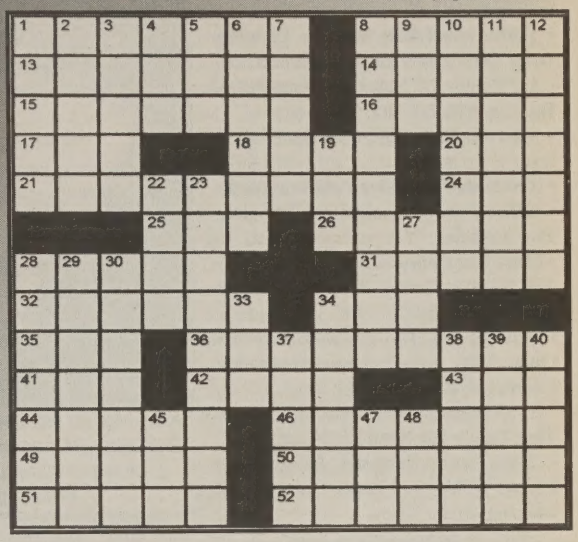

ACROSS

1. The Vacation Channel used to claim Eureka was full of "_____ and thesbians."
8. Rich cakes named after an old Polish woman
13. Like many of the people who live on Hispaniola
14. Beyond pudgy
15. Fill with blood to the point of congestion
16. The way from a man's heart
17. Get long in the tooth
18. Gov'nor or hat tipper
20. "The ___ of gravity"
21. Bottoms sometimes described as "bootylicious," (Fr.)
24. Nest egg comp., perhaps
25. "To ___ is human; to moo is bovine." – Crescent Dragonwagon
26. A score
28. Riparian clown
31. 21 A in London
32. Like some manufactured homes
34. Towel word
35. A pop
36. Custody
41. Bladed pole in the water
42. Matinee star
43. Pursue in court
44. Milan's "La _____"
46. Rose-like ornament
49. *The Waste Land* author
50. Inured, hardened
51. Intuit
52. Stable workers

DOWN

1. Forward
2. Kitchen stove
3. LSU mascot
4. O.J.'s Lance
5. ___ Elton John
6. It player, at times
7. Scoff
8. A bos'n
9. Short Aborigine
10. Irving _____'_ *Easter Parade*
11. Semitic fertility goddess
12. Marine trade routes
19. Take home
22. Sailor's peril
23. Bombard with uranium isotopes
27. "Once" (Archaic)
28. Contests, challenges
29. Excessively sweet and sentimental expression
30. Land
33. Breakfast's partner
34. Serfs
37. Trunk
38. "Rose & Th_____," Andy Capp's favorite pub
39. "Inner" opposite
40. Lacks
45. ___ Angeles
47. Gel
48. Shocking swimmer

Sandra Synar

HORAESCOPES

WEBSTER'S of "horae": goddesses of the seasons, 'hor' meaning 'hour'."

SCORPIO: Rebirth full-moon birthdays – the miracle of life is not taken for granted but by grace. Treading stagnant water, mid-December born bring forward movement, although intimidations persist to mid-February, when wisdom, truth and freedom illuminate darkness. In legal battles, corruption in law, medicine or image, detective research exposes dirty secrets. Magnetic touch heals suffering.

SAGITTARIUS: Busy spontaneous short trips, communications and flexibility keep balance in unexpected twists and turns. Count on yourself; freedom is within. Fundraising, psychospiritual magnets and passionate emotions draw a supportive crowd.

CAPRICORN: Strong comfort and support, energetic fires in humanitarian group collaboration and freedom burn away dross and get to the heart of the matter. December born particularly, enthusing news and friends open blockages.

AQUARIUS: Career, government, status, healing creativity, charity and ego meltdowns humble for good reason. Malignant corruption, intimidating pressures or radical surgeries in air waves and air lines need responsible spiritual vision.

PISCES: Sudden switches require flexibility, independence. Happy increase in travel, higher education, courts and in-laws maintain hope during crosscurrents of crazy unpredictability.

ARIES: Energetic stability accomplishes much. In matters of spending or costs, prime the pump. Security, stability, voice and throat express essential needs. Inheritance, insurance, tax and investment fuel active zest.

TAURUS: During your full moon, Tuesday at 7 p.m., marriage, partnership, legalities, battles with toxic or erosive intimidation and insecurity are aided by friends. Ego inflations and meltdowns expose naked soul. Responsibilities, government, business, bones, elders and weird winter scenes clear near Valentine's day.

GEMINI: As Mercury retrogrades at full moon, travel, communication, brethren and sudden twists and turns keep you on your toes in health, pets and routines. Independence requires and allows you to count on yourself.

CANCER: June born, excitement, happy increase, friends, loved ones and entertainment feed creative joy. Mother and child reunions warm hearts.

LEO: Passionate wordless emotions express rebirthed values. Joint holdings illuminate desires. Insurance, inheritance, investment and psycho-spiritual research face intimidating mortal fears, dissolve ego illusions. Family and nurture, child and parent, protective restraint or limitation force new maturity.

VIRGO: Sudden twists and turns in travel, sports, education and brethren require self-reliance and reward generously.

LIBRA: Expenditures prime the pump in business, government and parenthood. Dependability and constructive practicality in real estate and security warm to the bone.

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Hot Toddy's – Friends and fellow bartenders dressed up as Chelsea's bartender Todd Huber in honor of Todd's birthday Saturday night.

Gender bender – Greg Finch table-hopped and took orders from redneck KC Tucker and fellow waitress Joe Tucker at the Mad Hatter Ball Friday night.

(right) Emma Winters, Brianna Birchfield and Izabella Young dressed up for the kindergarten Halloween party.
(below) Was Jake McClung dressed up as the president on vacation at his Crawford ranch?
(Below right) Hannah Gitchel let her hair down Saturday night.

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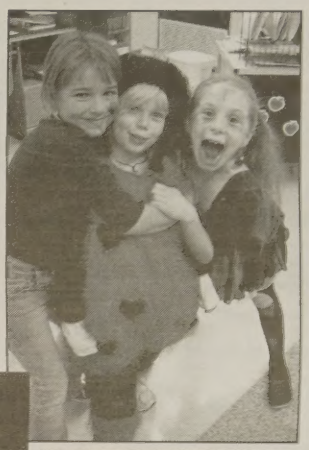

FORUM

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Impeach council?

Editor:

In a startling leap towards globalism, the Eureka Springs City Council has apparently embraced what the French call "A severe bout of infantilism."

With drunken cowboy swagger they violate state law by circumventing the Planning Commission. They override the mayor's veto by accepting a settlement in the Latimer code violations issue without regard for the consequences in establishing precedent.

Of course, this was followed by publicly rebuking Mayor Harrison for initiating responsible action by filing an appeal. Council members whine about additional legal expenses for the city. What will those legal expenses balloon to when those who follow the Latimers ignore building codes and argue precedent?

In our constitutional processes we acquiesce certain rights to municipalities in exchange for services. Those services certainly include managed development with adherence to the municipal building codes. When council members side with scofflaws, they no longer act in the best interest of the citizenry. Then it is time for the citizens to exercise our constitutional responsibilities and begin impeachment proceedings.

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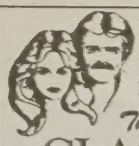

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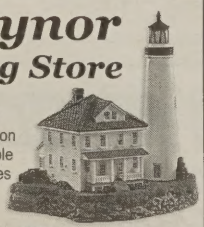

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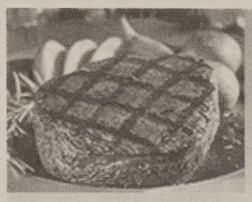

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- Good Night, And Good Luck (PG) Fri.-Tue. (1:55-4:55) 7:55-10:25
- The Legend of Zorro (PG) Fri.-Tue. (1:00-1:30-4:00-4:30) 7:00-7:30-9:50-10:20
- The Weather Man (R) Fri.-Tue. (1:50-4:50) 7:50-10:30
- Domino (R) Fri.-Tue. (4:10) 10:00
- Wallace & Gromit: The Curse of the Were-Rabbit (G) Fri.-Tue. (1:05-4:05) 7:05-9:40
- Serenity (PG-13) Fri.-Tue. (1:20-4:20) 7:20-10:05
- Waiting... (R) Fri.-Tue. (1:35-4:35) 7:35-9:50
- A History of Violence (R) Fri.-Tue. (1:10-4:10) 7:10-9:55
- Flightplan (PG-13) Fri.-Tue. (1:25-4:25) 7:25-9:35
- G (R) Fri.-Tue. (1:45) 7:45
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- Jarhead (R)* Fri.-Thu. 1:15-4:00-7:00-9:55
- The Legend of Zorro (PG)* Fri.-Thu. 1:15-4:05-7:05-10:00
- Prime (PG-13)* Fri.-Thu. 1:25-4:15-7:15-9:45
- Saw II (R)* Fri.-Thu. 1:35-4:10-7:30-9:55
- Dreamer: Inspired by a True Story (PG) Fri.-Thu. 1:45-4:30-7:20-9:40
- Doom (R) Fri.-Thu. 1:30-4:20-7:10-9:40
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- The Fog (PG-13) Fri., Sun.-Thu. 1:40-4:35-7:25-9:45; Sat. 1:40-4:35-9:45
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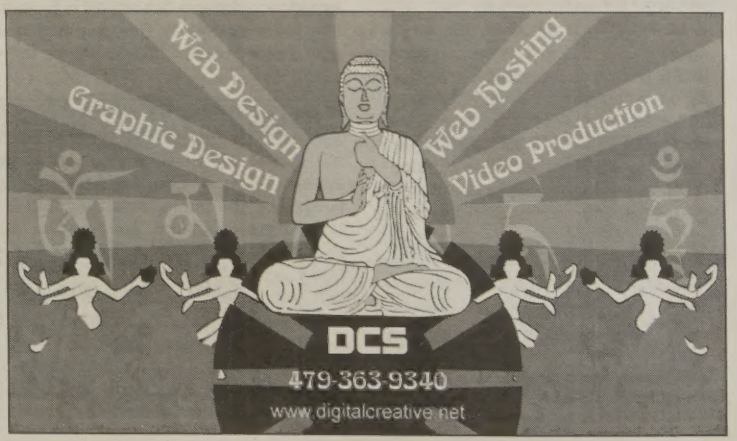

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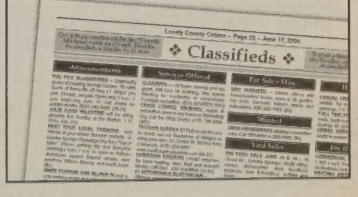

Transition

James Michael Alexander

Nov. 16, 1948 – Oct. 26, 2005

James Michael Alexander was born Nov. 16, 1948 in Bowie, Texas to parents, James Norman Alexander of Antlers, Okla. and Wanda Marie Reaves of Jacksboro, Texas.

Mike spent a good portion of his early years in Germany with his family. In 1964, when his father, Jim, retired from the Army, they moved to Eureka Springs. Here he really started to grow… mastering the guitar in his teens and creating beautiful art. These talents, along with coming to be a master carpenter, were driving forces in his life. There are also many other talents, too numerous to name. And with these came awards and honors from every venture he entered into.

Throughout his life, Michael was a powerful man, always leading, coaching and directing those who needed help. He was always there for a friend.

He treasured entertaining, playing with his friends, rocking out a club and making the girls scream!

Mike loved his family. One of the most mentionable moments in his life is when he met Laura. They fell in love over the phone at work and eventually married in 1984.

Although Mike cherished his family, he also loved spending time alone in his studio; painting, making music, writing and reading. It is believed that this fueled him to be able to share himself unselfishly with the rest of us.

Those in the family holding his memory include: his wife, Laura Alexander; his children, James Lucas, Maya Mae and Jesse Paul; his mother, Wanda Alexander; brother, Stephen Patrick; and sister, Janet Jo. His father, Jim, is now deceased.

Mike died Oct. 26, leaving the rest of us to keep his spirit alive. A celebration of his life with music and a potluck will be held on his birthday, Wednesday, Nov. 16 beginning at 6 p.m. at Chelsea's.

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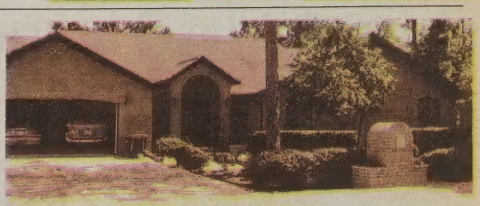

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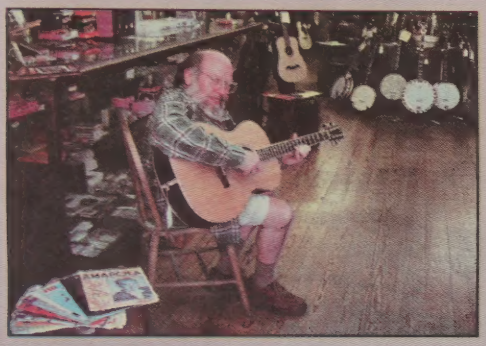

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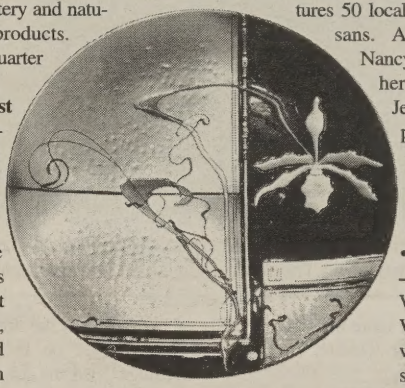

Art glass at Zarks

• **Harris' Art Garden and Gallery –** Artists JD and Cathy Harris have transformed a sadly dilapidated historic home into a showplace of art, architecture and gardening. JD is a master sculptor and Cathy works in stained glass – it's a marriage made in... you guessed it! This is a place to be experienced and savored.

• **Iris at the Basin Park –** offers art lovers an eclectic range of art and fine crafts, showcasing the fine works of many local, regional and national artists. Fine jewelry, hand-thrown pottery, art glass, contemporary metal sculpture. 8 Spring St.

• **The Jewel Box –** is located in the heart of gallery row. This delightful little shop features 50 local and regional artisans. Artist and owner Nancy Wines showcases her Crystal Vision Jewelry line. Hand-painted porcelain, exotic masks, silk garments and more. 77 Spring St.

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• **Studio 62 –** showcases the work of owners, photographer Ron Lutz and painter Jody Stephenson. The couples' focus has been interpreting the beauty of the Ozarks. Special exhibitions of other artists are featured throughout the year. Located on US 62 next to the Bavarian Inn.

• **Upper Spring Gallery –** Located above Silly Chile near the top of Gallery Row, one of Eureka's newest galleries is dedicated exclusively to the bronze work of master sculptor Mel Shipley. The gallery incorporates studio space where you can watch Shipley in the creation of his bronze sculptures. Definitely worth one flight of stairs.

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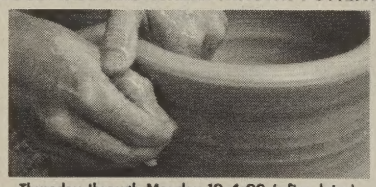

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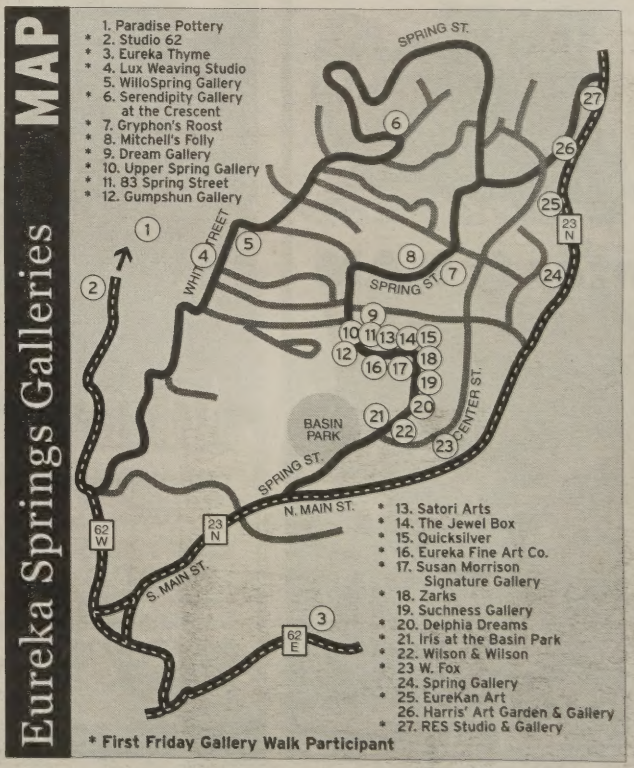
Eureka Springs Galleries MAP
1. Paradise Pottery
* 2. Studio 62
* 3. Eureka Thyme
* 4. Lux Weaving Studio
5. WilloSpring Gallery
* 6. Serendipity Gallery at the Crescent
* 7. Gryphon's Roost
* 8. Mitchell's Folly
* 9. Dream Gallery
* 10. Upper Spring Gallery
* 11. 83 Spring Street
* 12. Gumpshun Gallery
* 13. Satori Arts
* 14. The Jewel Box
* 15. Quicksilver
* 16. Eureka Fine Art Co.
* 17. Susan Morrison Signature Gallery
* 18. Zarks
19. Suchness Gallery
* 20. Delphia Dreams
* 21. Iris at the Basin Park
* 22. Wilson & Wilson
* 23 W. Fox
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Attractions

Cool weather, hot fun with area attractions

Take the family on safari through the 100 acres of Ozark parkland known as The Promised Land animal park.

The weather may be cool, but the fun is still hot in Eureka Springs. November is a great time to explore the history and heritage of the Ozarks, from Native American culture preserved in botanical gardens to the prehistoric beauty captured underground in a cave tour. We have history you can eat, with a yummy lunch at a grist mill, or go back in time to witness the first Christmas.

You can also explore Biblical times at the Great Passion Play, or learn about some Eureka citizens that never left during a ghost tour. Visit a tour home where the outside and the inside might fool you, or just take in the view during a horseback ride, and see why everyone raves about an Ozark sunset. Admire a tiger, learn about a llama, or just play a few rounds of golf: it's your choice. Just remember, you don,t have to stay indoors during November; there's a whole world of great attractions just waiting for you. Browse the listings below, and pick out a few that suit your fancy.

• **Cosmic Cavern –** Take a 1.25 hour tour through the warmest cave in the Ozarks, always a humid 62°. The cave is well-lit so you can see and photograph amazing, colorful formations. This major Arkansas cave has bottomless lakes, rare cave fish and amphibians. Spend an hour spelunking. It's fun for all ages.

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• **Great Passion Play –** While the Passion Play performances has ended for the season, there is still plenty to do on the Great Passion Play grounds. Beginning Nov. 11, Beyond Dickens, an interactive re-creation of Bethlehem at the time of Christ's birth, will be open on Friday and Saturday evenings. Visit the inspiring Christ of the Ozarks statue, view incredible collection of Bibles in the Bible Museum and the Christian-themed art by Jack Dawson in the Sacred Art Museum, and marvel at the amazing and very fun collection of nativi-

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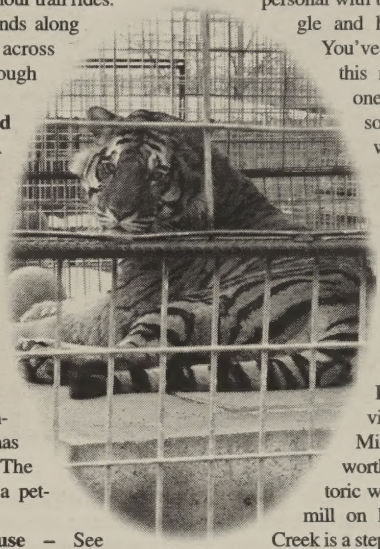

• **Promised Land Animal Park** – A 100 acre drive-through zoo where the animals run free while the humans are confined to their cars – a much better way to see animals in a more natural state. See antelope from three continents, zebras, llamas deer and more. The park also features a petting zoo.

• **Rosalie House** – See Victoriana at its finest in this magnificent tour home, one of the most gingerbread-covered specimens in Eureka Springs. A period-garbed and mannered tour guide will acquaint you with the Victorian home and way of life.

• **Turpentine Creek Wildlife Refuge** – Lions and tigers and cougars, oh my. Turpentine Creek rescues neglected and unwanted big cats nationwide and gives the public a chance to get up close and personal with the king of the jungle and his regal cousins. You've likely never seen this many big cats in one place. It's awesome and the kids will love it. Open 9 a.m. 'til 7 p.m everyday, feeding time is at 5 p.m., and the animals really spring to life then.

War Eagle Mill – A scenic half hour drive from Eureka Springs, a visit to War Eagle Mill is definitely worth the trip. The historic water-powered grist mill on lovely War Eagle Creek is a step back in time. The working mill today mills high-quality organic grains which can be purchased on site. Or, have some delicious corn bread made from freshly milled corn in the Bean Palace restaurant. Take Hwy. 23 south to Hwy. 12 W, then left on War Eagle Rd.

Calendar

November/December Events

Nov. 4-6	Fall Diversity Weekend
Nov. 11-13	11th Annual Food and Wine Weekend
Nov. 11-12	Murder Mystery Weekend
Nov. 11-13	Eureka Springs Digital Film Festival
Nov. 11 - Dec. 10	Beyond Dickens at the Great Passion Play
Nov. 19-20	Fall Antique Show and Sale
Nov. 24	Thanksgiving Day
Nov. 25	Santa in the Park
Nov. 26	Fall Art Fair and Eureka Springs Sculpture Show
Dec. 1	Hunt Family Fiddlers in the City Auditorium
Dec. 1	39th Annual Silver Tea at the Crescent Hotel
Dec. 2	Christmas Parade
Dec. 3	Candlelight Tour of Homes
Dec. 3	3rd Annual Christmas Ball at Basin Park Hotel
Dec. 4-9	Christmas at the Crescent
Dec. 10	Ozarks Chorale at the City Auditorium
Dec. 16	Eureka! Home for Christmas Concert at the City Auditorium
Dec. 31	New Year's Celebrations Around Town

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Perhaps the best-known spring in town rests underneath Basin Park, next to the Basin Park Hotel on Spring Street. The original basin still exists, and is marked by a circular fence in the middle of the park. Water flowed into this stone basin, and was used as a healing spring. This one spot became known as Basin Spring, and stories of its medicinal uses spread like wildfire among the Victorian set looking for treatments of various maladies. The spring was even used during the Civil War by Dr. Alvah Jackson, who treated both Union and Confederate soldiers in a makeshift hospital just a few yards away, under the protection of a bluff. The town was founded around this spring in 1879, and Basin Park remains an important part of Eureka Springs community life to this day. Other springs with fascinating histories include Sweet Spring, Magnetic Spring, Harding Spring and Grotto Spring; pick up a walking tour map while you're in town for the complete lowdown. And once you've walked Eureka Springs proper, head out to Lake Leatherwood for great hiking trails and depression-era history, or to Blue Spring Heritage Center for history that goes back even before the springs of Eureka were discovered. And after all that, get a massage, have a great meal, and find another direction to explore. Because even though the Ozarks have been around for a very long time, it's all new to you. Get out and discover our corner of Arkansas; we'll bet you'll love it just as much as we do.

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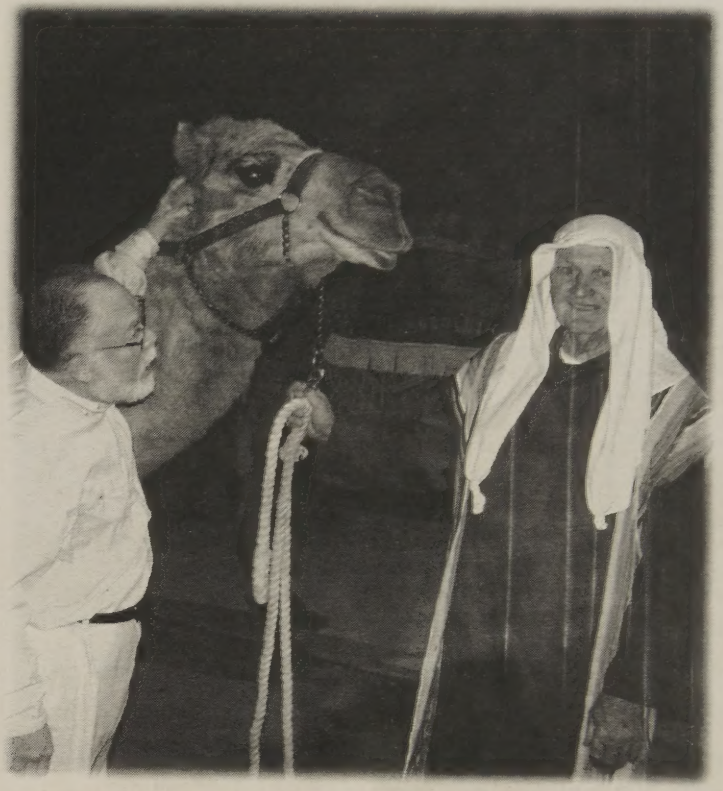

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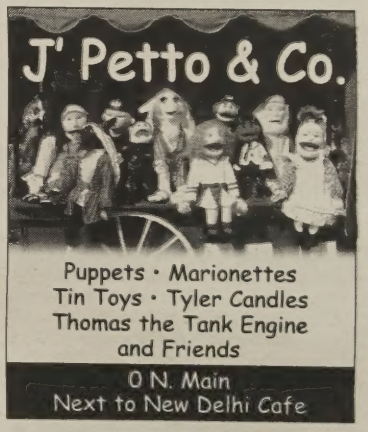

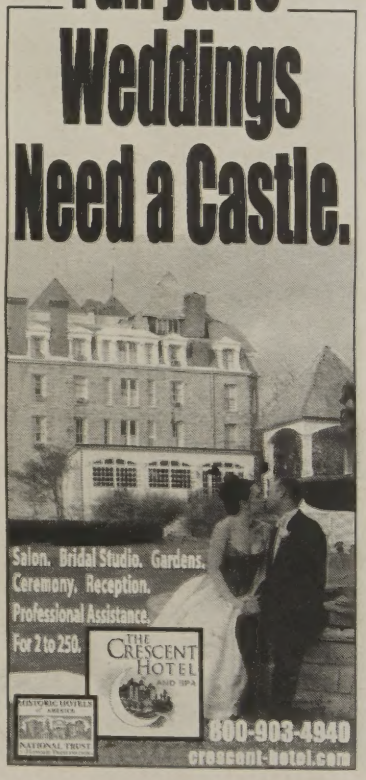

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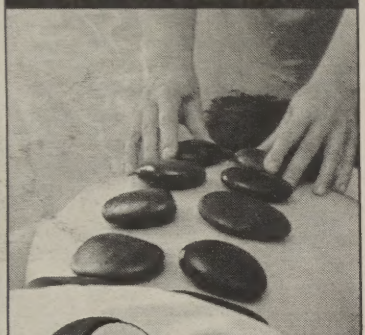

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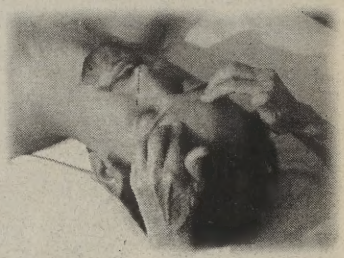

There are many gifted hands from which to choose.

It's November, with so much to do, and so little time. Hiking, sightseeing, and of course, holiday shopping. You're taking care of everyone else this season. Why not take time out for yourself? You deserve an afternoon of luxurious pampering; an hour of massage, plus a facial or reflexology treatment.

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Not sure about what you want? Browse the listings below, and get re-energized for the busy season ahead.

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"Our therapists are really excellent," she said. "People love that, and come back again and again. We want to take people to a deeper level of relaxation, because that's when healing occurs," she said. "Massage releases endorphins in the body, and makes people feel better about themselves. It also helps muscles to perform better, and in some cases can even lower blood pressure."

Focus also offers package deals with many of the town's bed and breakfast facilities, so you can have your innkeeper make the appointment and even handle the spa fees, leaving you to just enjoy your massage.

"We have people celebrating their anniversary or wedding that stay at a B&B, where it's all scheduled for them," said Vail. "They don't have to carry cash, and sometimes we will stay open late to accommodate them, to make their experience the best it can be."

"The menu is simple at Focus, but contains all the best treatments for a nervous world: therapeutic massage in doses from a half-hour to an hour and a half; a 30-

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Focus owner and therapeutic massage therapist Mimi Vail has some sure-fire ways to relieve that holiday stress.

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minute foot treatment with moisturizer, soothing hot towels and massage; a steam treatment with oil of eucalyptus, and for those shy folks, a chair massage that leaves the client fully clothed and treats the head, neck, shoulders, back, arms and hands.

"The chair massage and Happy Feet treatment are good for those who have never had a massage before," said Vail. "They don't have to get undressed, except for their socks and shoes for the foot treatment, and they can ease into the world of massage."

In the colder months, chair massage is also wonderful to release tension built from the holidays, because we tend to hunch up our shoulders, she noted.

"More people talk about neck and shoulder problems when it's cold outside, and a chair massage definitely helps," Vail added.

Vail also offers Reiki treatments at Focus. Reiki is an ancient Japanese healing technique delivered with a hands-on, light touch, and the client stays fully clothed. The theory of Reiki is that a Reiki Practitioner works between the universal life force around us and the individual's life force to balance things out. Recent studies indicate that Reiki can even lower heart rate and blood pressure. If you're interested in this therapy, ask before your session about dividing the treatment time between massage and Reiki, so you can notice the difference for yourself, and feel more balanced and energized.

Focus offers two rooms, so couples can have their sessions at the same time, and Vail confirmed that they will do house calls if they have two bookings, or if the booking is made through the client's innkeeper. Massage clients receive a complimentary bottle of water after their session, since drinking extra water after a massage may enhance the positive effects. There's also no extra charge for essential oils with the massage, and Vail admits that lavender is the popular choice. Although regular hours are from 10 a.m. to 6 p.m. each day, earlier or later sessions can sometimes be arranged upon request, and Vail will also take bookings on Sunday, and gift certificates are available, so treat yourself, then do some stress-free holiday shopping and share the gift of relaxation.

"Come by, and take some time for yourself," said Vail. "Massage is good for almost everybody, and it's a great way to handle holiday stress." For more information, or to schedule a session, call (479) 253-5744.

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Spring Street Pottery is a cornerstone of the Eureka Springs art scene, but you'll never find it by walking or driving up and down Spring Street. The work of Gary Eagan and Steve Beacham is known to visitors and locals alike, but only if they venture into the colorful and eclectic world inside Zarks Gallery at 67 Spring Street. Eagan and Beacham's functional mugs and bowls, along with whimsical fountains, dragons and other decorative pieces, are created downstairs in a spacious, airy studio, right under their customers feet. The studio is the heart of Spring Street Pottery, and, like the artists themselves, has evolved through the decades.

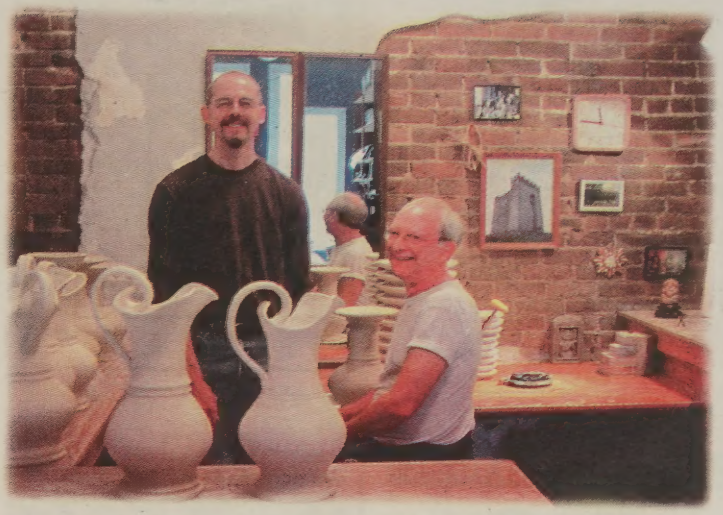
"Our work has been on this corner since 1970, said Eagan." There's been a series of art galleries, and the building has been renovated three times, but we're still here.

The artists have survived through the ups and downs of the tourist business because their work is unique; both have traveled to China and studied the designs in ceramics of the Far East, which gives the pottery clean, flowing lines and intricate curves, while retaining an earthy feel. Both Southern Living and AmericanStyle magazines have featured their pottery, and while the steady sales of functional pieces will pay the bills, the other work fires the imagination, according to Eagan.

"Doing the decorative work is definitely my favorite, he said." But sometimes, you can be designing something functional, and the design evolves in the process, giving you a piece that's unexpected.

"We're always working for the next season, said Beacham." A new idea can take a couple of years (to complete), like the fountains, but if you hit a creative block, just focus on another piece and different ideas pop up. A lot of it is out of your control.

The look and feel of hand-thrown pottery is unique when compared with mass-produced, mold-made pottery, said Beacham. "What we do is all one-of-a-kind, signed and dated, which makes it more personal. People look at the cost between the two, but the quality is so much greater with hand-thrown pottery."



Spring Street Pottery's Steve Beacham and Gary Eagan have been making beautiful art together in their studio for more than 30 years.

Both artists have explored the creative world in different ways, trying a variety of mediums over the years, like glass, jewelry and fiber art. So these days, the current challenge for them is to make it through another thirty years in Eureka Springs. "That may be more difficult than the first thirty, said Eagan, because of rising energy costs, but we wouldn't want to be anywhere else."

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Christmas

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Tired of shopping in overheated malls as tinny Christmas carols play through the speakers? Want an old-fashioned holiday that will take your breath away? Look no further, because Eureka Springs is celebrating A Dickens of A Christmas this year. While some places may stage a faux Victorian atmosphere for their festivities, we have the genuine article in our historic downtown, listed on the National Register of Historic Places. A Eureka Springs Christmas makes your toes tingly, and your heart warm, and it's not just because of any spiked egg nog you may find in our inns and restaurants. It's the down-home Southern hospitality, and detail to the holidays the way they used to be; the joy you remember when you were young. Kick off your own Dickens of A Christmas by heading downtown for the grand illumination on Nov. 11 at dusk, when all the buildings shine in outlines of sparkling lights. That Friday also is the beginning of the Beyond Dickens event at the Great Passion Play, an interactive experience from a Victorian street scene back to the miracle of the very first Christmas. Beyond Dickens plays every Fri. and Sat. evenings through Dec. 10, and the Great Passion Play also has special holiday art exhibits, lighted trams, concerts and a showing of nativity scenes from around the world. If you want to truly get back to the reason for the season, check out all their events.

The Christmas Parade is at 6 p.m. on December 2.

Since you,re having an old-fashioned season, why not shop in yesteryear too? The 17th Annual Antique Show and Sale will be at the Best Western Inn of the Ozarks Convention Center on Nov. 19-20 with lots of wonderful antiques, from glassware and vintage clothing to toys and primitives. And before you know it, Thanksgiving is upon us. Take advantage of day-after

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Okay, so you've been to Eureka Springs a few times before, but you always eat at the same place again and again. We love our fave spots too, but variety is the spice of life. Find a new favorite this month; try something exotic or ethnic, like an East Indian samosa or real Czech-German strudel.

Shake off the cold with a Mediterranean meal, or sit down to a stick-to-your-ribs pasta feast. Never been much of a soup person? Try a surprisingly hearty spinach-tomato bisque. Fish frys, panini bread sandwiches, or 18-layer lasagna: it's all here, and you owe it to yourself to taste.

After all, this is the home of the *Food and Wine Festival*, so get into the spirit and discover a new dish. Vegetarian, vegan, low-carb, high-protein, from thick steaks to fresh spinach wraps, Eureka Springs has a mind-blowing diversity in cuisine; we'll stack up our restaurants against those in the nearest city any day of the week. And the best part? You don't have to drive all over to find these eateries; just browse the listings below until you see something too luscious to resist.

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• **Balcony Bar and Restaurant** – Enjoy hearty appetizers during the week inside or on the covered deck of the Basin Park Hotel. Friday night fish fry is not to be missed. Battered cod or baked chicken complemented with War Eagle Mill's famous cornbread. Fish Fry Fridays are done in a magnificent way, featuring the freshly-milled organic grains of **War Eagle Mill**. Battered Cod and Catfish, corn bread, hush puppies and hot rolls, plus cole slaw and all the fixin's makes the the Balcony the place to be on Frydays. Full bar. Open for lunch and dinner. 253-7837.

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We love those sunny days in November when we can sit and enjoy a meal on the deck of Local Flavor.

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Entrees

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DICKENS

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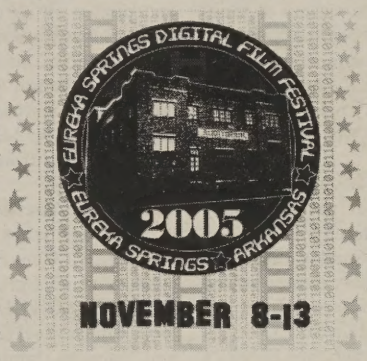
holiday specials throughout the shopping district, and then bring the little ones to Santa in the Park, Friday evening, Nov. 25, so they can whisper their wishes in his ear. And don,t forget the Fall Art Fair on Sat., Nov. 26, at the Best Western Inn of the Ozarks.

There will also be special weekend holiday performances at both the Pine Mountain Jamboree and the Ozark Mountain Hoedown, for those who like a bit of country with their Christmas. And if your country holiday is of the Irish persuasion, then look no further than the Hunt Family Fiddlers concert in the Auditorium on Nov. 30 and Dec. 1. The beginning of December also brings the 39th Annual Silver Tea at the Crescent Hotel, a lovely tradition that recalls the grace and style of days gone by. The entire first weekend of December should not be missed, because after the Silver Tea on Dec. 1, you'll want to stay for the Christmas Parade at 6 p.m. on Dec. 2. Why hold a parade at night? Because this one will twinkle down Spring Street with thousands of holiday lights! On Sat., Dec. 3, the annual Candlelight Tour of Homes leads you through some of the most beautiful historic structures in Eureka Springs, all dolled up in their holiday finery. Later in the evening, change from your walking shoes to your dancing slippers and make an entrance at the Christmas Ball at the Basin Park Hotel. On Dec. 4-9, check out Christmas at the Crescent, a week packed with interactive events at the Crescent Hotel. Workshops will include holiday crafts, culinary arts and more. For an uplifting evening of lush vocals and live music, toss that cheap Christmas music CD out the window and head to the Auditorium for the Ozarks Chorale concert on Sat., Dec. 10, to hear how holiday music should really sound. Another concert on Dec. 16 is completely different, but just as wonderful. If you've ever wondered how the locals celebrate the holidays, come on down to the Auditorium on Fri., Dec. 16, for Eureka! Home for Christmas, a great evening studded with local stars in music and the arts.

Get back to the spirit of the season and celebrate A Dickens of A Christmas in Eureka Springs; it will be something your family remembers and talks about for years to come. For more info on any of the events listed, visit www.eurekasprings.org.

Pick your flick at Digital Film Festival

There's truly something for everyone at the 2005 Eureka Springs Digital Film Festival, Nov. 8-13. This year, the festival theme is Party Every Night, and the organizers come through with a variety of venues and films. The event kicks off at 6 p.m., Tues., Nov. 8, with an opening reception at Caribe, followed by a screening of Chix Flix, films by, for or about women.



Wed. night will be Sports Night, and Thursday evening is for lovers of the darker side: Digital Cinema in the Dark, with film noir, dark comedy and controversial documentaries. At press time, venues were not yet confirmed for Sports Night and Digital Cinema in the Dark, but details will be available on the festival website. Evening shows will be at the Auditorium on Fri. and Sat. nights, with a scheduled showtime of 6 p.m., and also on Sun. morning at 11 a.m. Sunday's features will showcase multicultural diversity and ethnic understanding. All Auditorium shows will be available for a suggested donation, plus there will also be refreshments at the cash bar. For the tots, try out Saturday Breakfast with Eureka Kids, with animated shorts, plus a morning continental meal; and during the late afternoon, catch teen flicks with your favorite teenager at Clear Spring High School with screenings of student films made for the younger generation. Admission at most venues is by donation; for a complete schedule and detailed info, visit www.eurekafilms.org.

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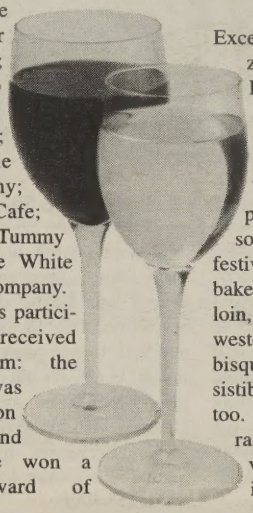
Make room for Food and Wine Weekend

If your palate is beyond burgers and beer, then make plans for the 11th Annual Food and Wine Weekend, Nov. 11-13. This year's featured establishments include Autumn Breeze; Cafe Soleil; Cottage Inn; Crescent Hotel and New Moon Spa; Basin Park Hotel; Cathouse Lounge at the Pied Piper Pub & Inn; Chelseas's Pub and Cafe; Gaskin's Cabin; Henri's; Little Bread Company; Mud Street Cafe; Rogue's Manor; Tummy Ticklers and the White River Tobacco Company. Two of this year's participants have received national acclaim: the Cottage Inn was featured in Bon Appetit, and Autumn Breeze won a Restaurant Award of Excellence from Wine Spectator magazine. The food and wines from France, Chile, Australia, Spain, South Africa will be featured, along with U.S.A.'s own offerings from California, Arkansas and Washington State. With so many participating restaurants, there's something for everyone with this festival. Go with your favorites, like baked brie or slow roasted beef tenderloin, or try something new with southwestern duck tamale, or sweet potato bisque. Of course, there's the irresistible chocolate merlot tiramisu cake, too. Check with participating restaurants for menus, or visit www.eurekasprings.org for more info.



Gaskins Cabin is one of several restaurants participating in this year's Food & Wine Weekend, Nov. 11-13. The restaurant, which has made a name for itself with its aged Omaha Angus cuts of beef, will be serving some special wines for the annual event.

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Seek and find inspirational art at the Great Passion Play

Just in time for the holiday season, the Great Passion Play welcomes inspirational artist Jack Dawson and his new work, *The Passion Tree*, to the Christmas celebration in the Sacred Arts Center. *The Passion Tree* is in a similar vein: a beautiful tree, fully decorated with ornaments, tells the full story beyond Christmas, from creation to the day of Judgement, and is part of his Christmas series.

For his enthusiastic fans, Dawson's paintings are just like an unopened box of Cracker Jacks; there's always a prize inside. His *Seek and Find* series of paintings contain hidden images for the viewer to track down, and the images usually relate to a Bible verse or concept. One of his latest works, *If My People*, depicts two hands repairing a badly-torn flag with needle and thread, with clues scattered throughout the work to the identity of the person behind the sewing.

Dawson plunged into the art world at a young age – by the time he was 20, he had already completed a 30-foot sculpture of praying hands for his hometown of Webb City, Mo. Through the years, he has added works in watercolor, oils and acrylic to his growing resume, although the *Seek and Find* series first grew out of an old evangelical tool – chalk art.

"I discovered that chalk art was an old form that evangelists used to illustrate messages", he said. The thought of hiding inspirational messages and images appealed to him, and Dawson started applying the technique to his own art, creating richly colored landscapes and other drawings with regular, white and fluorescent chalk that reveal hidden pictures in black light. The chalk art remains a vital part of his ongoing ministry, and the technique, minus the black light effects, evolved into his current work in oils and acrylics. Sometimes the clues are easy to spot, like the nail marks on the hands in *If My People*, but often viewers will study the paintings for quite a while to see tiny images seamlessly integrated into the background. Since its inception in 1999, the *Seek and Find* series has become wildly popular with inspirational art fans.

Jack Dawson's painting, *If my People*, on display at the Sacred Arts Center.

Dawson's work is on display in the Sacred Arts Center, and he will be at the Sacred Arts Center during the holiday season on Nov. 18-19, 25-26, Dec. 2-3 and 9-10 to sign prints and visit with art lovers. Hours for the receptions are 5:30 p.m.-8 p.m. For more info on Jack Dawson, visit his website at http://bittersweetgallery.com, or to contact the Sacred Arts Center for more details call (479) 253-9200.

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17th annual Antique Show & Sale

Captivated by treasures from the past? Check out the 17th Annual Fall Antique Show and Sale, Nov. 19-20 at the Best Western Inn of the Ozarks Convention Center. This popular event brings in dealers from fourteen states, and visitors from across the country in a weekend celebration of items from olden days. The range of antiques includes glassware, paper, furniture, pottery, books, primitives, postcards, linens, jewelry, vintage clothing, mirrors, advertising items, and more, including those rare, hard-to-find replacement parts for the antiques you may already own.

Explore the booths and displays – you just might find that once-in-a-lifetime treasure, or discover an item just like the one you remember from Grandma's house. Hours for the show are 10 a.m.-6 p.m. on Saturday, and 10 a.m.-4 p.m. on Sunday. Admission is a measly $2.50, which covers both days, but rediscovering memories is worth so much more. When was the last time you had this much fun for two and a half bucks? One lucky attendee will receive a cash prize, to be drawn at the end of the weekend, and another will receive a lodging voucher. For more info, call organizers Dave or Jane Baker at (479) 253-7551.

Fall Art Fair and Sculpture Show

Get a glimpse of some of the best work Eureka Springs artists have to offer with the Fall Art Fair and Sculpture Show, Sat., Nov. 26, at the Best Western Inn of the Ozarks Convention Center. Once an Ozark tradition, the Fall Art Fair returns in bigger, better form. The entire first floor of the convention center will be covered in art. Admission is free, and hours for the show are 9 a.m. to 8 p.m., so you can catch the show after a full day of shopping, but definitely save some money, because original art makes a great gift.

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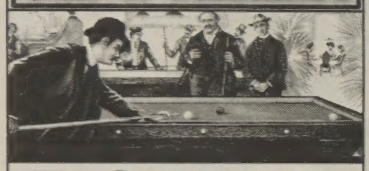

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Anyone for a spot of tea, and some murder? The Crescent Cottage Inn and Bridgeford House Bed and Breakfast Inn present a Murder Mystery Weekend, Nov. 11-12. The mystery is written to fit in with the history of Eureka Springs at the turn of the century, with Cyrus T. Conrail, who has made many enemies in bringing the railroad to town. Everyone has a motive, but who did old Cyrus in?

There are clues everywhere, even around town, and clues will be revealed throughout the weekend. Although Saturday is free time, Sherlock wannabes can scour downtown for extra clues.

Pssst – the butler did it.

"We've written in some coded messages in historic markers around town," said Ray Dilfield, owner of the Crescent Cottage Inn. "People love the mystery weekends, and they get into it with costumes and props, and just have a great time. They really throw themselves into the parts, and make it fun for everyone."

The weekend package includes lodging, Friday evening cocktail party, full breakfast each morning, a clue hunt, and a buffet dinner on Sat. night, when sleuths get to show their stuff and reveal the murderer. Availability is limited, so reservations are required. For more info, call the Crescent Cottage Inn at 800-223-3246 or the Bridgeford House at 888-567-2422.

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DESSERTS TO DIE FOR

Top 10

Top ten ways to stuff a turkey

Santa comes to Basin Park November 25.

1. Get it drunk. Okay, just let it taste a few of the fruits from the vine during Food and Wine Weekend. And don't mention that its cousin is on the menu.
2. Give it some plastic. The shopping is top notch in Eureka Springs, and he'll probably buy you a nice gift if prodded.
3. Expose it to art. Both you and your turkey can appreciate a great painting, and the Fall Art Fair is the perfect place to peruse for pretty pictures or provoking pastels.
4. Show it some history. Visit the Earth History Museum at the Great Passion Play, and find out if your turkey is related to T-rex.
5. Take it to tea. Your bird looks stunning in a tux, or maybe it prefers a lovely tea-length cocktail dress with tiny earrings. Either way, he'll stand out at the Silver Tea, and you'll both gobble down your weight in cucumber sandwiches.
6. Let him out. If your turkey looks completely awesome in that cocktail dress, go with him to the Fall Diversity Weekend events, and applaud him for being the bird of the ball.
7. Share the cinema. Find out if he's light meat or dark meat during a film noir at the Digital Film Festival. Of course, if he prefers teen comedies, you may be in trouble.
8. Bring in the big guy. If your turkey makes it past Thanksgiving, take him to Santa in the Park, so he can make a holiday wish. Bet it involves getting past next November, too.
9. Steam his drumsticks. So many great spas in town, so little time! And who couldn't use a good rubdown this time of year?
10. Treat him to dinner. After all, you're kinda attached to him by now, and you've shared some good times. Take him out for tabouli or a veggie burger, and celebrate!

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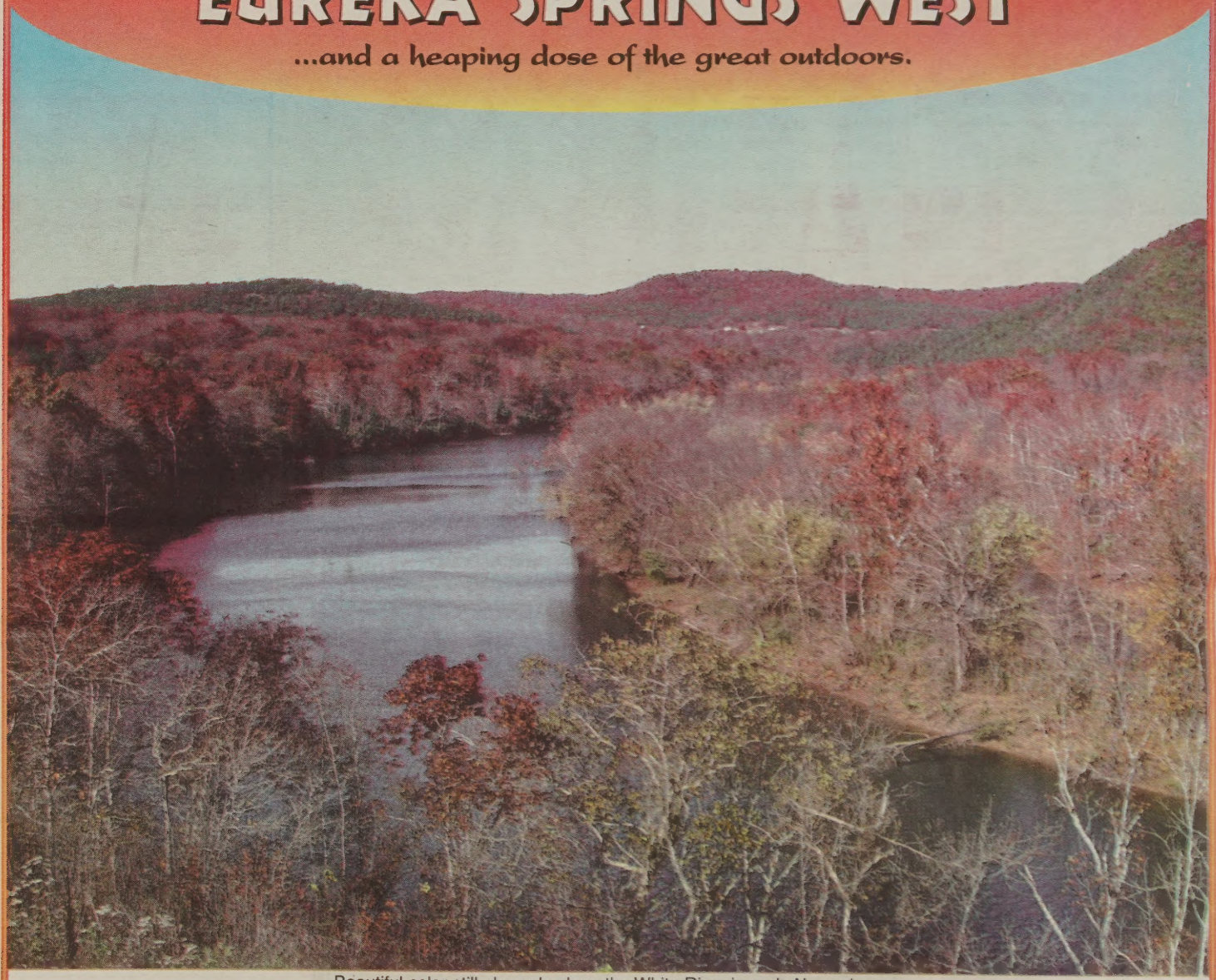

Beautiful color still abounds along the White River in early November.

Good times last all year long in Eureka Springs West

The swimsuit may be packed away, but there's still lots to do in Eureka Springs West! This time of year is perfect for a hike at Lake Leatherwood or by Beaver Lake, and the winter fishing is sweet, too. Any angler will tell you, when the cool weather slows down the rest of the fishermen, the action on the lake definitely heats up. All those fish, and no hook to bite but yours. Rent a boat, or better still, rent a guide and find out where the best spots are.

Of course, you can also stay on dry land and take your time through the Blue Spring Heritage Center. In November, the flowers give way to autumn leaves, and you can see so many historic sites better; take a closer look at the cliff with Native American markings, or just enjoy the serenity of the gazebo. It's also the perfect time for a horseback ride, early in the day when you can just see your breath, and the Ozark horizon is cool and clear as far as the eye can see. If you're ready to go indoors, you're ready to shop! Do a bit of antiquing, or visit working studios filled with eclectic woodcraft and pottery. Spend a few days out here in a secluded cabin or cottage, with dinner at a nearby restaurant, and you'll never miss the hustle and bustle out in the real world. Eureka Springs West is a different place in November, and you'll enjoy every minute of it.

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Slow down and relax in Eureka Springs West

November brings a whole new season of relaxation to Eureka Springs West! Trade that tank top for a turtleneck, because the outdoor activities don't stop when summer moves on. Autumn and winter are the perfect time to just explore the area; go for a hike, cruise around the lake, or discover new vistas just perfect for that new digital camera you brought.

You'll find one frame-worthy photo op at the Inspiration Point overlook, next to Castle Antiques. This overlook gives you a beautiful view of the White River valley, and is a choice spot to watch eagles, hawks and other birds as they catch thermals and drift past. You'll also see the Ozarks at its most lovely on the drive down to Blue Spring Heritage Center, especially in early November, when the valley is still trimmed in autumn scarlet and gold, and the walk around the gardens is beautiful no matter the time of year.

Marvel at the scenic beauty of Beaver Lake and find a spot for a picnic. Seek out a sunny rock out of the wind on which to soak up the warm rays of November sunshine. Breathe deeply of the crisp, clean air and keep an eye out for Bald Eagles, which winter in the area. Beaver Lake has long been a winter home for these majestic birds, and the folks at the Belle know all the best spectator spots.

Looking for a little more action? Rent a canoe and head down the White River. Take it slow and easy, because the water is very cold. Another reason to take it slow is because you'll see squirrels, deer, and even wild turkeys out by the water's edge. Herons often swoop down for a tasty fish, and you can catch it all with your camera. Canoes, boats, and supplies are available from Riverview Resort, Spider Creek Resort and the Beaver Dam Store as well. And if you're wanting to see the wildlife much closer, you can hire a fishing guide and find enough fish to weigh the boat down. Or check out Lake Leatherwood for fishing, boating, and hiking.

Feed the trout in the Blue Spring Heritage Center's lagoon, located approximately six miles west of Eureka Springs.

After the day is done, stay at one of the secluded cabins or cottages sprinkled around Eureka Springs West, and slip into a bubbling Jacuzzi for some stress-free time. Just remember to get some sleep, because tomorrow is a whole other day to fill with fun; it's the way you like it in Eureka Springs West.

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